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ANTI-FOREIGN MOVEMENT.

Sultan of Morocco Threatens to Dismiss Sir Harry Maclean and Other Officers.

(Associated Press.)

London, Dec. 19.—The Tangier correspondent of the Times, with reference to the fact that the French mission to Fez was compelled to travel by sea by way of Larache instead of direct overland, owing to the hostility of the tribes, remarks that there is a strong anti-European feeling in Morocco. He declares Maghzen is more than secretly hostile, and the tribes are openly so, to any European interference with their affairs.

The correspondent learns from native sources that the Sultan is officially notifying the legations of his intention to dismiss all foreign officers attached to the Moorish court and army, including the French military mission, the Italians employed at Fez, Sir Harry Maclean and other British officers.

PARLIAMENT ADJOURNS.

(Associated Press.)

Buda Pest, Dec. 19.—By a Royal decree to-day the lower house of the Hungarian parliament was adjourned until December 28th.

ZION'S FINANCES.

Dowie's Statement—Indebtedness Less Than Half a Million Dollars—The Assets.

(Associated Press.)

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 19.—Before a congregation of nearly 5,000 persons, John Alex. Dowie has declared that the assets of Zion were $30,000,000, and of this sum $21,000,000 was Zion City. He said that the total indebtedness was less than $500,000, and most of that was to members of the church.

COLLEGE BLOWN DOWN.

Damage Wrought by Hurricane at Rio de Janeiro—Two Persons Killed.

(Associated Press.)

New York, Dec. 19.—A Rio de Janeiro dispatch to the Herald says:

"A terrific hurricane at dawn on Friday caused serious damage to the harbor and the city. A wall of the college of San Vicente de Paul collapsed. One sister of charity and one pupil were killed and ten pupils were injured."

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POSITION WAS TAKEN AT AWFUL COST

Russian Says Japs Lost More Than Eighteen Thousand Men on 203-Metre Hill.

The Attacking Force Mowed Down by Companies—Officer Declares The Beseigers Will Never Take Port Arthur Under Present Circumstances.

(Associated Press.)

Chefoo, Dec. 17.—Midnight.—Commander Mizzeneoff, who was executive officer of the Russian battleship Poltava until that vessel was disabled, and who on December 15th headed the party of seven Russians who left Port Arthur in a sailboat and arrived here yesterday with dispatches, said to the Associated Press correspondent to-night, in an interview, that Port Arthur is a desolate and, excepting for the firing of guns, a silent place.

"The Russians," said he, "are husbanding their artillery ammunition, firing only when the effect will be certain. There are 10,000 men in the line of forts and their periods of rest are few. The generals, except Gen. Stoessel, live in the forts. Every building in the whole town is more or less injured. Gen. Stoessel has put the entire population on the regular rations, sufficient to last three months. The ammunition is sufficient to last much longer. I believe the Japanese will never take the fortress under present conditions."

AWFUL CARNAGE ON 203-METRE HILL.

Chefoo, Dec. 18.—For ferocity and sustained desperation on both sides, the struggle for the possession of High hill probably was the most remarkable in the history of the siege of Port Arthur, a siege noted for slaughter.

This statement is based on an interview which the correspondent of the Associated Press had with Commander Mizzeneoff, executive officer of the battleship Poltava up to the time the vessel was disarmed and who, as already told, headed the party of seven Russians who left Port Arthur in a sailboat on December 15th and after extreme suffering while crossing in a driving snowstorm, arrived here on December 16th, bearing dispatches which were turned over to the Russian consul for transmission to St. Petersburg.

Commander Mizzeneoff, who was wounded in the leg during the battle of High hill, said to the Associated Press correspondent:

"Since the Japanese on November 22nd began their attack on High hill, which they call 203-Metre hill, the fighting has been continuous. The steep and sandy slopes of the hill were streaked and dotted with snow when the Japanese began the battle which was destined to furnish so many deeds of heroism that they became commonplace. There was

So Much Slaughter

that even Port Arthur's war-hardened veterans shuddered at the sight.

"The Japanese were compelled to clamber up the steppes of the hill, in many cases without firing, in the face of one of the most murderous deluges ever poured from rifles and machine guns. I was there and it seemed to me that flesh and blood would be unable to stand our fire for a minute. The enemy went down in squads and companies, but there were always others coming grimly forward. Their bravery was beyond praise, as was that of our men. Sometimes the fighting was hand-to-hand with the muzzles of the rifles at the breasts of contestants, the bayonets being used as swords. The sides of the hill were strewn with bodies and the snow was crimsoned with the blood of the wounded, some of whom had crawled into it, seeking in its coldness surcease from their dying agonies.

"Eventually, as in similar instances which were to follow, we retired, leaving the work of driving the enemy from the summit to the resistless guns of the neighboring forts, notably those of Liaoti mountain.

"One incident of this assault will remain forever impressed on my mind, when a Japanese

Standard-Bearer Reached the Summit

and planted his flag, a gigantic Russian corporal left his retreating comrades and rushing back, seized the flag which he was tearing with his hands and with his teeth, when he fell, pierced with several bullets.

"When the Japanese retired under an artillery fire, the Russians re-occupied the summit.

"The second and third assaults were replicas of the first, although the second was the most ferocious. They were all hand-to-hand fights at which mercy was neither asked nor given.

"A remarkable incident occurred in the third assault. As the Russians, still facing the enemy, retired, a Japanese standard-bearer, holding his flag aloft, climbed the pinnacle and fell dead, clinging to the colors. In his tracks another arose with the colors, only to fall instantly with a dozen wounds in his body. Six others followed and met the same fate. At last, when the ninth man appeared, a Russian officer exclaimed: 'Don't shoot that fellow with the flag, it will be planted anyhow.'

"The Japanese adopted a curious expedient which assisted them greatly in the third assault. They had prepared huge piles of wood, coal and cornstalks which they lighted, the wind being in the faces of the Russians. The result was immense and the flames and smoke compelled the Russians to retire. The red glare from this

Disclosed a Ghastly Picture,

more infernal than ever drawn by Dante.

"The assaults thus far had cost the Japanese easily 18,000 men, while our own were under 2,000. The sides of the hill were literally covered with dead and wounded. The trenches were rivulets of blood, and every visible spot was dyed crimson. 'We might retake the hill,' said General Stoessel, 'but the hill is not of sufficient importance to us to buy at further sacrifice.'

"Since then numerous small engagements have been waged, but the responsibility for keeping the Japanese from occupying the hill in force and from mounting guns there has been left mainly to the shrapnel fire from other forts. Even the Japanese simply use the hill to observe the harbor.

"Following the third assault an armistice of five hours was agreed upon to bury the dead. In this great speed was necessary. The Japanese undoubtedly made many awful mistakes and beyond doubt heaps of bodies containing helpless wounded were shovelled in masses into the pits and trenches. The Japanese could not, owing to the darkness and their feverish haste, distinguish between the dead and wounded. Scarcely an officer participating in the battle of High hill escaped unhurt, and the proportion of young officers killed was very high."

There is no news from Port Arthur to-day.

SOUGHT SHELTER BEHIND HEAPS OF DEAD.

Chefoo, Dec. 19.—1.24 p. m.—A Japanese camp follower, who saw a portion of the fighting at 203-Metre Hill, and who arrived here from Dalny to-day, says that Commander Mizzeneoff's description of the fighting is not exaggerated. He believes, however, that the Russian losses were heavier than stated by Commander Mizzeneoff, as the Russians repeatedly brought up reinforcements until it seemed that the entire garrison must have been in that section. The Russian dead, he said, were indiscriminately mingled with the heaps of Japanese dead. The slope of 203-Metre Hill being very steep and smooth, the Japanese prepared for their advance by shelling the hillside. The shells in exploding hollowed out footholds. In some instances the Japanese found protection behind the heaps of their own dead.

STOESSEL'S REPORT ON RECENT ATTACKS.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 18.—Gen. Stoessel's dispatch to the Emperor, which was received Friday night, was given out to-day. The first is dated November 25th and is as follows:

"I am happy to inform your Majesty that on November 20th, after an increased bombardment, the Japanese attacked one of the forts on the northeastern front and leaped with a portion of their force on the parapet. They were annihilated by rifle fire and the bayonet and thrown back into the trenches. Their reserves were scattered by shrapnel.

"From November 21st to November 23rd, the enemy violently bombarded the fort and in spite of great losses, effected, by their perseverance, a passage between two forts on the northeastern front.

"At 5.30 o'clock on the evening of November 23rd, after heavy firing the Japanese suddenly hurled themselves against several works on this front and seized a portion of the trenches, but they were thrown back by the reserves after

A Fierce Bayonet Struggle.

They returned to the assault at midnight and again occupied a part of the trenches but were annihilated by our bayonets. At 2 o'clock in the morning all was over, and your Majesty's heroic troops were able to re-start repairing the damage caused by the bombardment.

"From the 20th to the 24th, the Japanese lost more than 2,000 men. All our troops behaved as heroes. The following especially distinguished themselves:

"Generals Kondratenko, Nikitin and Gorbatowsky; and Lt.-Col. Naumonko. (A dozen other officers in lower grades are mentioned.)

"The bombardment of the town and harbor continues daily. A number of buildings have been destroyed and the harbor has sustained some damage. The garrisons are in excellent spirits."

In another dispatch dated November 28th, General Stoessel says:

"The 26th and 27th were the

Bloodiest Days in the Assaults

on Port Arthur. The attacks began on the night of the 25th against our left flank near Pigeon bay. The first was repulsed with great loss to the Japanese. The same night the enemy attacked a detachment on Panlung mountain but was repulsed, as also their attack on 203-Metre hill.

"On the 26th the Japanese began to bombard and attack fiercely the forts on the northeastern front and the advanced trenches. The trenches repeatedly changed hands. Nevertheless on the night of the 26th we threw back the Japanese at the point of the bayonet.

"The enemy succeeded in blowing up the parapet of one of the forts and began building parallels there. At another fort on the same night they laid sacks along the rampart, but our artillery dispersed them. Towards 10 o'clock in the evening the Japanese attacked a battery on our left flank in considerable strength and at first obtained possession of a portion of the works, but our heroes brought bayonets into use and

The Japanese Retired,

leaving a heap of their men.

"Along the whole front the Japanese re-opened a violent fire against the interior of the fortress, keeping it up until 5 o'clock on the morning of November 27th.

"The help which God sent us on the birthday of our mother, the Czarina, gave us further victory."

The message mentions the same four officers as given in the preceding dispatch, together with several others who specially distinguished themselves. A further dispatch from General Stoessel, dated November 30th, says:

"Since November 27th the Japanese have been carrying on a violent bombardment and assaulting in considerable force against Visokiai hill. Their assaults were repulsed."

On December 2nd General Stoessel reports as follows:

"The twelve days' assault which commenced on November 20th was definitely repulsed last night. I am happy to say that

Your Majesty's Heroic Troops

alone could have been capable of doing this. There has never been such a fierce assault. The following contributed principally to its repulse: Generals Krondratrenko, Nikitin and Gorbatowsky and Colonels Irrmann and Erstiakoff, and Lt.-Cols. Naumenko and Gaudourinee. It it also, thanks to them and the heroic officers of naval sharpshooters and the artillerymen, that Port Arthur succeeded again in resisting. The Japanese, according to prisoners and Chinese, lost at least 20,000 men.

"We request your prayers and those of the Mother Empress, which are manifestly shielding us. As general aide-de-camp to your Majesty I have expressed your Majesty's thanks to the garrison."

"On December 5th General Stoessel reports: "At 7 o'clock yesterday morning the Japanese concentrateed all their forces and began an assault of Viskokai hill, bombarding it simultaneously with 11-inch and 16-inch shells. A fierce fight raged all day. We repelled three assaults.

"Towards evening the Japanese succeeded in obtaining possession of the crest of the hill and immediately got two machine guns into position thereon. Among the wounded were General Tserpinsky and Lt.-Col. Boutonsoff of the Frontier guards. Irremann performed prodigies of valor."

General Stoessel's last dispatch is dated December 10th, and says: "Since the capture of Visokaiai hill our ships in the harbor have been suffering from 11-inch Japanese shells. Gen. Tserpinsky succumbed to his wounds. The spirits of the troops are excellent."

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WILL REPORT ON THE WATERWAYS

CANADA AND STATES TO APPOINT COMMISSION

Vacancy on The Transportation Commission Will be Filled When Premier Returns.

(Special to the Times.)

Ottawa, Dec. 19.—Canada and the United States have agreed to appoint an international waterway commission. This commission will investigate and report upon all waterways adjacent to the boundary line so that there will be an understanding between the two countries in respect to the commerce passing through the waters of either when within easy reach of the boundary line, thereby avoiding international difficulties in future. W. F. King, chief astronomer of the Dominion, will be one of the Canadian commissioners. The other two have not yet been appointed. There will be three Canadians and three Americans.

To Fill Vacancy.

As soon as Sir Wilfrid Laurier returns an appointment will be made to the transportation commission to fill the place left vacant by the death of J. H. Bertram. The name of J. H. Ashdown, of Winnipeg, has been mentioned here as a member of the commission.

DR. CHADWICK.

It Is Believed He Will Return to the States This Week.

(Associated Press.)

Paris, Dec. 19.—Acquaintances of Dr. Roy Chadwick, of Cleveland, Ohio, who left Paris for London yesterday, received letters from him this morning thanking them for courtesies extended to him. The letters are blurred, the signature resembles "J. B. Ann," whereby it is believed Dr. Chadwick is seeking to avoid further attention. He did not book a passage on the White Star steamer Cedric or the American line steamer Philadelphia here, but it is believed that he intends to carry out his statement that he would sail this week.

OFFICERS RESPONSIBLE.

Will Be Tried by Court-Martial in Event of Troops Committing Excesses.

(Associated Press.)

Kieff, Russia, Dec. 19.—The government has issued a proclamation announcing that Emperor Nicholas has conferred on the heads of military districts in which law is not declared the power of trying by court-martial all officers in charge of troops in the event of the latter committing excesses, punishable by penal servitude under the military codes. The officers are thus held responsible for the conduct of their men.

COAL EXPORTS INCREASE.

(Special to the Times.)

Ladysmith, Dec. 19.—The coal export business, which, during the early part of the month, had been very dull, has taken a sudden spurt, and it is understood that in January, when the big contracts that the Southern Pacific railway entered into for Australian coal during the strike here shall have ended, there will be a great increase in the tonnage exported from here. There were no less than eleven vessels lying along the bunkers yesterday taking on coal. The Titania is back for cargo for San Francisco, and before Christmas more than 10,000 tons will have been shipped this week.

SOLDIER SHOT SEVENTEEN TIMES

THE STORY TOLD BY A WOUNDED RUSSIAN

His Experience at Battle of Liao Yang—How He Reached Trenches of His Comrades.

(Associated Press Correspondence.)

Moscow, Dec. 1.—Kirinchenko, probably the most thoroughly shot pieces man who has survived the present war, arrived recently from Harbin, where after weeks in the hospital the doctors extracted 17 bullets from him, amputated one leg and discharged him as cured. He gave his experience in a quiet matter-of-fact way, and one can hardly do better than quote his own words. He said:

"It was at Liao Yang that I got put out of commission for good. On the evening of September 2nd we had been ordered to attack some of the Japanese trenches. We had to cross a good piece of open ground under a heavy cross fire, and there were men falling every step from the time we broke cover to the minute we rushed the trenches at the point of the bayonet.

"Nothing happened to me until we were close to the Japanese lines, when I got a bullet in my right foot that brought me down. From that time on I was no more good except as a target, but I must say I drew a good deal of Japanese ammunition, if that counted for anything.

"Our fellows went on and carried the Japanese trenches to the left in hand-to-hand fight, for we can usually whip those fellows if we can get close enough to them. But there was a long line of works on the right that we did not take, and where they kept on shooting. They were the people who did for me. I was on the ground with my teeth chattering with pain, mostly scared of course, I was. Guess anybody would be scared under the circumstances. It seemed to me when those fellows on the right found I was not dead, they didn't take interest in shooting at anything but me. That probably was not so, but the way it seemed to me at the time.

"Anyhow I made up mind my to get out, and crawled along toward the trenches where our men had gone over the top. As no one came back, I thought we must have captured them. I had not more than started when a bullet in my right shoulder rolled me over again. I got my gun in my left hand then, and kept on crawling. Then I got shot in the left leg just above the knee, then two or three bullets got me in the right leg. I dropped my gun and helped myself along with my left hand, but they must have thought I was having to easy a time of it, for I got shot through the left shoulder, and that brought me down flat. There was nothing for it then but to wiggle along on my breast and stomach. I kept on getting shot in my right leg, but all the feeling had gone out of it. The last time I recollect getting hit was again in the left shoulder.

"It was just dawn by the time I got to the trenches, and when I finally wiggled over the top I thought they were full of Japanese. But it happened that the Japanese uniforms I saw were on corpses and the live people were talking Russian, so I yelled for help. The men took me to a bandaging station two miles, and the doctor did not think I was much good keeping.

"I had 13 bullets in my right leg and side, and others in different parts of me. They sent me on to Harbin, and there they cut my leg off. It wasn't to keep, so now I am crippled, but that is better than being dead or a prisoner."

SNOW AND WIND.

Communication With Cape Cod Still Interrupted—Traffic Delayed.

(Associated Press.)

Boston, Mass., Dec. 19.—Communication with Cape Cod by telephone and telegraph, broken off by Sunday's storm, is still interrupted to-day, though small armies of linemen were at work making repairs. Trains were delayed, and news from Cape points by mail and messenger was not expected to reach here to-day much before noon. Such additional information as had been received indicated that the earlier reports of storm damage had not been exaggerated. The snow is from two to four feet deep, and in many places drifting by a gale so as to block highways and street car lines.

ACCIDENTALLY POISONED.

(Special to the Times.)

Cloverdale, B. C., Dec. 18.—Violet Harper, aged 18 months, accidentally poisoned herself near Cloverdale on Saturday by eating a dozen tablets of Ferrozone. She died an hour later during violent convulsions. The resident physician, Dr. Kendall, suspects strychnine.

OUTBREAK OF PLAGUE.

Number of Cases Among Factory Hands Making Coats for Russian Soldiers.

(Associated Press.)

St. Petersburg, Dec. 19.—The Governor of Viatkia reports a serious outbreak of Siberian plague in factories in the districts of Viatka and Sloboski, which are preparing fur coats for the troops in Manchuria. Two hundred and forty-seven cases have already been reported. The plague has been traced to sheepskins, and the delivery of garments to the troops has been suspended.

INJURED IN FIGHT.

(Associated Press.)

Fernie, Dec. 18.—A C. P. R. workman named C. Sanford was probably fatally injured in a fight here on Friday with a man named Scott. The latter struck him with a hammer, fracturing his skull.

NEW BRANCH OPENED.

(Associated Press.)

Fernie, B. C., Dec. 18.—The first train over the Great Northern branch arrived on Friday. This will reduce the time to the Coast to 32 hours.

THE LOSS OF JAP TORPEDO BOAT

SANK AFTER ATTACKS ON RUSSIAN WARSHIP

Seventeen Officers and Men Were Killed or Wounded—Crew of Lost Vessel Rescued.

(Associated Press.)

Tokio, Dec. 19.—11 a. m.—Vice-Admiral Togo's report upon the torpedo operations against the Russian turret ship Sevastopol was received to-day. It says:

"On the night of December 4th our torpedo flotillas made a gallant and brave series of attacks against the Russian turret ship Sevastopol.

"The flotillas arrived outside the entrance to Port Arthur about midnight on that date. The flotilla under Commander Unchida and a special torpedo boat, partly for attack and partly to reconnoitre the enemy's ships and shore batteries, attacked her.

"A shell struck Commander Mitamura's torpedo boat, and four shots hit Commander Nakamuta's boat, wounding three sailors.

"Flotilla A, Commander Kasama, advanced first for the purpose of destroying the defences protecting the enemy's searchlight. Flotilla B, Commander Jinjuji, flotilla C, Commander Otagi, flotilla D, Commander Seki, and flotilla E, Commander Kawase, approached successively and bravely continued the attack from 2 until 4 o'clock in the morning.

"Commander Otagi's flotilla approached the closest and delivered the most vigorous attack. While retreating one torpedo boat received several shots simultaneously, her commander, Lieut. Nakahori and five others being killed. One boat lost her freedom of motion, and Lieut. Nakahori's boat went to the rescue, and despite the heavy fire, endeavored to save her. While towing the boat the enemy's shells severed the hawser. Lieut. Nakahori's boat was also hit and one man killed. Subsequently several shells hit and almost disabled Lieut. Nakahori's boat, forcing it to abandon the comrade ship, which was sinking. Lieut. Nakahori's boat, however, steamed back, rescued the crew and abandoned the torpedo boat to her fate.

"Commander Kawase's boat, belonging to the same flotilla, was struck by a shell, killing one of the crew and wounding Lieut. Takashi and two sailors. Lieut. Shono's boat was hit, and one of the crew killed and five wounded. The boat was temporarily disabled, but his comrade ship, with Lieuts. Watabe and Mori commanding, protected and rescued her. All the other boats, bravely facing the enemy's fire, succeeded in delivering attacks without suffering any damage.

"The result of their attacks is not definitely known, although it is evident that numerous torpedoes took effect.

"The watch tower reporting on the following morning said that the Sevastopol had lowered at the bows considerably, facing towards the southeast. Her condition is such that she does not change her position in the current. She anchored close to inshore in shallow water.

"It is a source of satisfaction that our torpedo attacks were delivered without the least confusion. Each boat rendered material assistance to its comrades. The skillful manner of manoeuvring and the bravery of the officers and men inspires me with a deep feeling of satisfaction and confidence."

RESIDENCE FOR STOESSEL.

Subscription Has Been Opened by the Nobility—Czar's Manifesto Postponed.

(Associated Press.)

St. Petersburg, Dec. 19.—Contrary to general expectation, Emperor Nicholas's name day was not signalized by the issue of a manifesto on the subject of reforms, which is now expected on December 20th. A long list of honors was gazetted, however, principally army officers. The day was marked by the usual observances. The city was decorated with flags, a solemn Te Deum was chanted at St. Isaac's cathedral, a salute was fired from the fortress of St. Peter and St. Paul, and free performances were given at the theatres.

The publication of Lieutenant-General Stoessel's telegram recounting the story of the wonderful defence of the heroic garrison of Port Arthur produced a good effect, and the agitators made no attempt at anti-government demonstrations.

The nobility of the Tzarske Selo marked the occasion by starting a subscription for the purchase of a residence there for General Stoessel.

WAS MURDERED.

Young Unknown Woman Found Dead on Mountain Near Colorado Springs.

(Associated Press.)

Colorado Springs, Colo., Dec. 19.—That the young woman who was found dead on Cutler mountain on Saturday was murdered was proven by the post mortem examination to-day. The removal of her matted hair and scalp revealed the wound in her head and resulted in the recovery of a bullet. There is as yet absolutely no clue to the identity of the girl, the authorities here being wholly at a loss to establish anything in this connection.

VETERAN DEAD.

W. H. Davenport, Former Vaudeville Artist, Died From Apoplexy—Fought With Reno.

(Associated Press.)

Missoula, Mont., Dec. 19.—Wm. H. Davenport, an old-time vaudeville artist and former regular in the United States army, is dead here of apoplexy. Davenport was attached to the famous Seventh Cavalry as an enlisted man, and was with Reno at the time of the Custer massacre. On account of bravery in that campaign he was appointed to a lieutenancy, but resigned after holding his commission for ten years to take up the theatrical profession.

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LICENSE RETURNED.

Charges Against Chief Engineer of the General Slocum Not Sustained.

New York, Dec. 17.—The license of Benjamin F. Conklin, who was chief engineer of the excursion steamer General Slocum when she was burned in East river with the loss of a thousand lives, was returned to him to-day. The license was revoked soon after the disaster. Capt. Ira Harris, supervising inspector, to-day, after hearing all the evidence, held that the charges against Conklin were not sustained.

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GUNS FOR ARTILLERY.

Rearmament of This Branch of British Army to Be Hurried Forward.

London, Dec. 17.—The war office and the treasury have at last reached an arrangement to provide funds for the rearmament of the artillery, and it is understood that War Secretary Arnold Foster yesterday signed contracts which, with the guns to be built at Woolwich arsenal, will result in the supply of 130 batteries of field artillery and 30 batteries of horse artillery with the new pattern guns within nine months.

HEADACHES FROM COLDS.

Laxative Bromo Quinine removes the cause. To get the genuine call for the full name and look for signature of E. W. GROVE. 25c.

THE INQUIRY INTO NORTH SEA INCIDENT

FINAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR MEETING TO-MORROW

The International Commission is Expected to Establish a Number of Important Precedents.

Paris, Dec. 17.—Great activity is manifest in official and diplomatic quarters in connection with the opening, next Tuesday, of sessions of the international commission, which is to inquire into the North Sea incident.

The meeting will bring together some of the leading naval and legal figures of the five foremost maritime powers. Besides the Anglo-Russian crisis which the appointment of the commission has averted, it is expected that the meeting will establish a number of precedents affecting international naval conditions and the rights and responsibilities of belligerents and neutrals in time of war.

The British and Russian members of the commission will arrive here on Monday. The French member is already here. Rear-Admiral Charles H. Davis, the American representative, is expected on Monday.

President Loubet will receive the commission on Tuesday.

The British party is made up of Rear-Admiral Sir Lewis Beaumont, Great Britain's representative on the commission; Sir Edward Fry, counsel, and Hugh Oberin, agent. Mr. Oberin was secretary of the British embassy in Washington; Sir Edward Fry is one of the ablest jurists of England.

Final arrangements have been made for the opening session to take place on Tuesday, December 20th. The commission will first meet informally and privately, as the proceedings will be private until it is formally decided to make them public. Moreover, the Russian embassy was quite sure to-day that the sessions will remain private.

The admirals will then choose a fifth admiral, determine the question of procedure and adjourn until after the holidays.

It is understood that the British side of the case is practically made up. It is the expectation that Sir Edward Fry will bear the brunt of presenting and proving the case, as it is assumed that the English common law principles will prove that the burden of proof is upon Great Britain to prove in the affirmative.

This procedure permits Russia to remain on the defensive while Great Britain endeavors to prove her case. However, the protocol provides that the commission can establish its own procedure.

A number of rumors concerning the commission's probable decision are already in circulation. One report is to the effect that three admirals out of the four are in favor of the British contention, thus insuring an ultimate decision favorable to Great Britain. The names of the admirals are being mentioned, but this and other reports are purely speculative. All the admirals are men of strong independence and rigid believers in awaiting official details before reaching a conclusion. Therefore, it is certain that the case will be judged and decided on its merits and without preconceived inclinations.

NOGI'S REPLY

To Letter From Stoessel Regarding Shelling of Russian Hospitals.

Tokio, Dec. 17.—The following dispatch was received to-day from the Japanese army before Port Arthur:

"Two letters from Gen. Stoessel to Gen. Nogi reached headquarters at 8 in the evening of December 15th.

"The first read as follows: 'I have the honor to inform you that your artillery has bombarded our hospitals which are plainly distinguished by Red Cross flags. These insignia are visible from your artillery positions. I make this request from my high esteem for our brave heroes, who after gloriously fighting with your force, lie wounded in the hospital under the Red Cross. Among those heroes are some Japanese wounded. I avail myself of the opportunity to convey to you the assurance of my high respect.'

"Accompanying this letter was another from Gen. Stoessel to Gen. Nogi saying: 'I hereby entrust the bearer, Barashoff Langa, huntmaster to the Emperor and superintendent of the Red Cross, to negotiate with your excellency in order to remove the hospitals outside the danger zone during bombardments. It is needless to say that we have respect for your right to promote the success of your operations.'

"Penciled on the envelope was the following: 'Barashoff will come to the same place on the afternoon of December 16th to receive your reply.'

"Gen. Nogi further reports that he sent Major Saito, accompanied by Prof. Ariga and an interpreter, to Salichiao to deliver a reply which was accompanied by the following letter to Gen. Stoessel. 'I have the honor to assure you that the Japanese army, respecting humanity and treaties since the beginning of the siege, has never purposely directed shells against buildings or vessels flying the Red Cross flag, but the greater part of the garrison is invisible from our gun positions, and as you know shells do not always reach the place to which they are directed, and especially owing to your long and brave resistance the deviation of our guns is becoming greater and greater. So with the greatest regret we are unable to guarantee to reach the places at which they are directed. I avail myself of the opportunity to convey to your excellency assurances of my highest respect."

WON ON A FOUL.

Jenkins Awarded Decision in Wrestling Match—Was Bitten by His Opponent.

San Francisco, Dec. 17.—Tom Jenkins was given the decision on a foul in a wrestling match with Buzayell, the Algerian.

The men wrestled for over two hours without a fall. Then Jenkins got a hammerlock hold and while the men were on the carpet Buzayell bit Jenkins in the abdomen, making a wound the size of a half dollar.

There also were teeth prints in his arms where he had been bitten by Buzayell.

Referee Rosch awarded the match to Jenkins and the police placed Buzayell under arrest. A charge of mayhem was preferred against Buzayell.

Jenkins was not seriously injured.

TWENTY-FOUR GREEKS KILLED.

Slain by Bulgarians in Fight Which Lasted Five Hours—Many Assassinated.

Constantinople, Dec. 17.—The massacre of Greeks at the wedding party near Monastir on November 29th, thirteen persons being killed and five wounded, has led to a number of sanguinary conflicts between Bulgarian and Greek bands, which culminated on Thursday last in a stubborn battle lasting five hours.

A Greek band of twenty-eight men and a body of Bulgarians met near the village of Sarakinevo, and the Greeks lost twenty-four men killed.

Many assassinations of Bulgarians by Albanians have been reported in the Uskub district. The local authorities, as usual, have taken no action in the matter.

TO BUILD CARS.

Ottawa Car Company May Erect Works at Fort William or Port Arthur.

Montreal, Dec. 17.—H. S. Holt and E. L. Pease, general manager of the Royal Bank of Canada, who were yesterday elected directors of the Canada Car Company, with F. W. Thompson, left by the private car Earnscliffe this morning for Fort William. It is understood that if satisfactory arrangements can be made with either Fort William or Port Arthur that the Canada Car Company may establish a car manufactory at either of these places to supply cars for the Grand Trunk Pacific, Canadian Pacific and Canada Northern, which are required west of the Great Lakes.

ROSSLAND MINING NEWS.

Large Ore Chute Found in the Jumbo—Last Week's Shipments.

Rossland, Dec. 17.—The most interesting and important news of the week among the mines is the finding of the large ore chute on the intermediate level of the Jumbo. For fourteen months the driving of the tunnel towards the ore chute has been in progress. The work was slow for the reason that most of the time it was done by hand. Early during the week the ore chute was broken into and since then the driving has been across the chute. Last night it had been crossed for a distance of 15 feet, and its width was not yet known.

The chute on the winze level, above the intermediate, is 30 feet wide, and it is fair to presume that it has the same width on the intermediate. Mr. Galusha, the manager, says he will next begin work on No. 2 tunnel, and thinks he will only have to drive about 15 feet in order to reach the ore chute on that level, which has been found on the intermediate. No. 2 tunnel is 125 feet on the dip of the vein below the intermediate level. Mr. Galusha regards the finding of the ore chute on the intermediate level as the most important incident that has yet occurred in the history of the mine. It gives 250 feet of backs and proves that the ore chute of the Jumbo is deep-seated. Besides the good which the find will do for the Jumbo, it will have a far-reaching effect as it will lead to the development of the properties which adjoin the Jumbo, and which have the same ledge and should in time lead to the reopening of three or four other mines.

The management of the Spitze, owing to the fact that copper and silver are higher than usual, has determined to resume operations on that mine. The work will be resumed on Monday. The intention is to output from 1,000 to 1,200 tons per month from the large reserves of ore in the mine.

Following are the weekly shipments: Le Roi, 2,727 tons; Centre Star, 1,440 tons; War Eagle, 1,260 tons; Le Roi No. 2, 350 tons; Jumbo, 432 tons; Velvet-Portland (milled), 30 tons; White Bear, concentrated, 30 tons; ore, 135 tons; total for the week is 6,404 tons; for the year, 332,196 tons.

BACK FROM CUBA.

New York, Dec. 17.—Sir William Van Horne, chairman of the board of directors of the Canadian Pacific railway, arrived here to-day on the steamer Vigilancia, from Mexico and Havana.

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COURT VICTORIA, No. 8930, A. O. F.—Meets 1st and 3rd Wednesdays in each month, Sir William Wallace Hall, Broad street. James Tagg, C. R.; W. Noble, Sec'y.

COURT NORTHERN LIGHT, No. 5935, A. O. F.—Meets 2nd and 4th Wednesdays in each month, K. of P. Hall, Douglas street. S. L. Redgrave, C. R.; W. F. Fullerton, Sec'y.

COURT VANCOUVER, No. 5755, A. O. F.—Meets 1st and 3rd Mondays in month, K. of P. Hall, Douglas street. F. L. Smith, C. R.; Sidney Wilson, Sec'y.

PERSONAL.

JOHN WILLIAM FLETCHER REYNOLDS—Missing since 1899; father dead; executors desire location. Geo. Guild, Guilds P. O., Ont., Canada.

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WANTED—Young man in grocery store; one acquainted with the city preferred. Apply Box 442.

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Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion.

WANTED—A teacher for Sidney school; duties to commence Jan. 2. Applications received up to Dec. 20th. Samuel Roberts, secretary, Sidney, B. C.

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CHRISTMAS TREES FOR SALE—At 81½ Yates street.

FOR SALE—Jersey heifer, 3 years old; due to calve Dec. 24th. Apply Mrs. Jacques, Canteen road, Esquimalt.

HAND-PAINTED CHRISTMAS CARDS—Original and artistic, the "Envelope" design; new this season. On sale at 32 Fort street, Five Sisters' Block.

FOR SALE—Loan of $1,000 in the Victoria No. 2 Building Society. Flint & Co., 15 Trounce Ave.

FOR SALE—Two first-class fresh calved cows, one general purpose horse, light three-spring wagon. Apply Fisher's Blacksmith Shop, Store street.

FOR SALE—Oil painting (org.), by Mrs. J. T. Higgins; subject: Shell, etc. 32 Fort.

HOLLY—For Xmas decoration. Jay & Co., 13 Broad street. Phone 1024.

BILLIARD ROOM FITTINGS—For sale, billiard room fittings. We equip rooms completely, including tables and furniture. Clubs and hotels remodelling ask for quotations. Catalogues sent free. Brunswick Balke Collender Co. J. Johnston, Kirk Block, Douglas street, agent, Victoria.

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FOR SALE—Express and light wagons, carts and phaetons, cheap for cash; also our new invention, the family clothes dryer. At W. A. Robertson & Son, 56 Discovery street.

FOR SALE—Cheap, air-tight heaters, ranges, stoves, tables, single and double beds, mattresses, bureaus, etc., at Old Curiosity Shop, cor. of Fort and Blanchard.

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REWARD—$30.00 (thirty dollars) will be paid to anyone giving information that will lead to the arrest and conviction of the party or parties who wilfully and maliciously destroyed the fencing on our property on Catherine and Langford streets, on the night of the 23rd inst. Thos. Shotbolt; Richard Hall.

JACOB AARONSON—Dealer in new and second-hand goods, jewellery, shotguns, pistols, tools, bicycles, clothing, boots and shoes, sewing machines, etc. Comedy clothes of all kinds for performers. 64 Johnson street, two doors below Government, Victoria, B. C.

KAI CHUNG & BRO., 158 Government St. Employment agency; servants and laborers for any work. Ring up phone 1123. Boot and shoe store.

LIVERY AND HACK STABLE—Victoria Transfer Co., 21 Broughton street. Tel. 129. Hacks, baggage wagons, trucks, etc., at any hour.

AH WING—Fashionable tailor, ladies' and gents' clothes made to order and perfect fit guaranteed. 160 Government street.

SING TAI—Manufacturer and dealer in ladies' silk and cotton underwear, dresses, wrappers, etc. 74 Douglas street, Victoria.

BEST JAPANESE PORCELAIN and fancy goods at Kawai Bros. Co., 86 Douglas St.

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FOR SALE—Oak Bay avenue, two story dwelling, fine lot; $1,050; easy terms of purchase.

FOR SALE—Douglas Gardens; the only choice lots on the market. Price and terms on application.

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FOR SALE—Fort street, near Cook street, double front lot, 60x120 feet, fine residential site; price and terms on application.

FOR SALE—James Island, 165 acres, 30 acres cultivated, balance slashed and seeded, well watered, excellent run for sheep or cattle; cottage, barn, stables, sheep sheds, etc.; orchard of 112 trees, principally apples. Price $2,500. This is very cheap.

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WEATHER BULLETIN.

Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, Dec. 19.—5 a. m.—The barometer remains comparatively low off Vancouver Island, and is abnormally high over the American Pacific slope. The weather is stormy off Cape Flattery, and rain has been general southward to the Columbia river and inland to Kootenay, while in Cariboo three inches of snow has fallen.

Forecasts.

For 36 hours ending 5 p.m. Tuesday.

Victoria and vicinity—Winds becoming easterly and southerly, unsettled, with occasional showers.

Lower Mainland—Winds mostly easterly and southerly, unsettled, with occasional rains.

Reports.

Victoria—Barometer, 30.33; temperature, 45; minimum, 45; wind, 8 miles W.; rain, .13; weather, cloudy.

New Westminster—Barometer, 30.30; temperature, 40; minimum, 40; wind, 4 miles S. W.; rain, .32; weather, cloudy.

Kamloops—Barometer, 30.10; temperature, 36; minimum, 32; wind, calm; rain, .30; weather, rain.

Barkerville—Barometer, 30.08; temperature, 14; minimum, 10; wind, calm; snow, .30; weather, clear.

San Francisco—Barometer, 30.32; temperature, 42; minimum, 40; wind, 10 miles N.; weather, clear.

PASSENGERS.

Per steamer Princess Beatrice from Seattle—Sunday—Wm Fielding, Peter Kirk, J S Latimer, Edward Pearce, A McKellar, Clinton S Conant, Mrs Conant, Harry Dallas Helmcken, Hannah Jane Helmcken, W McCarty, Dr Edward D Sawyer, Dr H Burgess, Mrs Burgess, M Welsh, U S Clarke, Mrs W E Ferris, Mrs McMicking, G W Lusson, Wm M Hobbs, Mr Judges, F W Graham, Chas B Merrick, K P Wollaston, J T Croot, D F Ayers, Jas Hill, J P Jensen, J K Selley, John Davis, Fred W Kenworthy.

Per steamer Princess Victoria from Vancouver—Sunday—W E Cruise, A S Wolf, A Willing, T Hayes, W J Krase, L Hopper, Arnold Raymur, J Simpson, — Beck, Mr Miller, Miss Miller, E Elliott and wife, J Nishlander, C M Kelly and wife, W J Jones, Mrs Clunie, — Montler, J D Williamson, C H Crabbin, C C Fisher, W Barley, Miss Perkins, J Bones, W G Morrison, W P Argue, J E Blair, G E Robinson, D H Hays, — Richardson, Mrs Richardson, A McLean, Miss Walls, F Warren, G F Park, Miss Coles, Miss Rothwell, G Clabon, J T McDougall, J E Church, W C Sampson, Miss Angus, C E Herd, S F Macyenzie, W H Ellis, W F McKay, Mrs Russell, F G Barnard, — Muir, R M S Pye, D Murray, F E Fisher, — Creighton, A Heathorn, A Marshall, J N Henderson, Miss Bauder, Frank Nason, Miss Elves, A Gorsen, J Hoover, A Roatz, Mr and Mrs Taylor, Miss Black, Mr and Mrs Mann, H Bell, H Moyce, J Smith, M Lenz, Dr C J Fagan, S Wingate, T Jack, T E Wasley, Mrs Murray, P Keal, A McConnachie and wife, L Muirhead, G H Courtney, A C Leck and wife, Messrs Dunn and Curry.

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BLOWN THROUGH THE AIR.

Rancher Killed While Blasting Out Stumps—Body Fearfully Mangled.

'Sudden death came to Allan Rae, a hop rancher in the Squamish valley, on Friday afternoon," says the Vancouver News-Advertiser. "He was blasting out stumps on his farm on the borders of the Squamish river, and had, at the time, a heavy charge in a large, rotten stump. He had lighted the fuse twice and both times it fizzled out and failed to reach the charge. He clipped it off and lighted it again, and waited for a long time, but as there was no explosion, thought it had again gone out, and moved cautiously toward the stump to see. He must have nearly reached the fuse when the charge exploded. He was blown about 60 feet through the air, one leg and both arms were broken, and the blood was flowing freely from a deep cut in his forehead. The only witnesses of the accident were two of the children of the unfortunate man, who rushed to the house with the awful news. When the body of Rae was discovered, life was extinct.

"Mr. Rae was a man about 55 years of age, and was one of the first settlers in the Squamish valley. He leaves a widow and family of 10 children—eight boys and two girls—to mourn his loss."

FLORENCE ROBERTS.

Well-Known Actress as "Tess" This Evening—Other Attractions.

An enthusiastic critic, writing of Florence Roberts's recent presentation of "Tess of the D'Urbervilles" in San Francisco, says: "It is a drama full of real life, of feeling and character, and of a construction unexcelled by Shakespeare himself. Hardy's thesis is the story of a 'pure woman,' yet a woman who twice succumbs to the villain she detests. To prove through all her vicissitudes she has been pure in heart, and that her disgrace has been fatally imposed from without, is his task. The sympathy with the character would be lost if any one moment it appeared that her acts were done from choice or anything but hideous necessity." Miss Roberts's impersonation brings out all the salient points of the character intended by the author and the dramatist, and is a performance that not only warrants the sincerest praises, but is worthy of the closest attention of all students of the drama. "Tess of the D'Urbervilles" will be Miss Roberts's bill at the Victoria theatre this evening.

The Morality Plays.

Victorians are manifesting considerable interest in the engagement at the Victoria on Tuesday and Wdenesday evenings of Ben Greet's players, who will present the famous morality plays, "Everyman" and "The Star of Bethlehem," in the order named. It is almost unnecessary to give these productions more than the briefest advance notices, as their novel character, their radical departure from the usual run of theatrical attractions and the fact that they are in the hands of a company presided over by one of the most noted students of the drama in the United Kingdom, commend them to the consideration of all playgoers. "Everyman" will be the bill on Tuesday evening and, as stated, the miracle play, "The Star of Bethlehem," which is exceedingly apropos at the present time, will be presented on Wednesday. Following is the list of characters in "Everyman" in the order of their appearance: Messenger, Adonai, Dethe, Everyman, Felawshyp, Cosin, Kynrede, Goodes, Good Dedes, Knowledge, Confession, Beaute, Strength, Fyve Wyttes, Dyscrecion, Aungell and Doctour.

"Pretty Peggy" Coming.

Victoria will be delighted to learn that the "Pretty Peggy" company is to play a return engagement at the Victoria theatre on Thursday evening next. The necessary guarantee has been subscribed and Jane Corcoran, Andrew Robson and their capable support will again present here one of the best productions ever seen in this city.

"Man and Master."

The Redmond company will open what promises to be another successful week to-night in the well-known comedy drama, "Man and Master." The company are said to be exceptionally good in this bill, the cast for which is as follows: Stubb West, Ed. Redmond; James O'Neill, Theo. H. Bird; Gerald Stone, S. M. Griffith; Bob Sinclair, Clyde E. Granger; Jenny, Ed. Redmond; Sheriff, Joe Coffman; Mable West, Pinkie Mullally; Florence Sinclair, Rae Bronson; Mrs. West, Ora Mullally; Chick, Estelle Redmond.

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PEOPLE ARE ANXIOUS FOR NEW GOVERNMENT

Showed Their Political Feeling by Voting in Recent Federal Election—Premier McBride's Mission.

During his speech at the banquet given in honor of Ralph Smith, M. P., at Duncans last Wednesday night, Senator Templeman showed by a reference to the voting in the recent Federal elections how overwhelmingly Liberal was the political feeling of British Columbia.

Now that the final returns in all the Federal constituencies of the province are to hand, a fair estimate can be made of the relative standing of the Liberal and Conservative parties in the provincial constituencies. Out of the 34 constituencies in the province 29 have gone Liberals, 4 Conservative and 1 Socialist.

Judging by seats, the Liberals have a still higher standing, as the ridings won by them represent 37 members out of a House of 42.

The returns by ridings, Federal and Provincial, are as follows:

Nanaimo.

	Lib.	Con.	Soc.
Nanaimo	382	250	377
Newcastle	205	180	250
Cowichan	153	206	30
Esquimalt	246	155	19
Saanich	236	184	21
Islands	209	124	28

Victoria.

	Lib.	Con.	Soc.
Victoria	1,692	1,192	336

Vancouver.

	Lib.	Con.	Soc.
Vancouver	2,938	2,080	741

Yale-Cariboo (With 5 Places to Hear From).

	Lib.	Con.	Soc.
Kamloops	420	382	24
Yale (part under N. W.)	217	168	5
Lillooet	90	139	7
Cariboo (2 members)	169	143	12
Similkameen	184	115	46
Okanagan	478	465	49
Greenwood	234	140	185
Grand Forks	148	221	149

New Westminster.

	Lib.	Con.	Soc.
Richmond	200	183	..
Delta	381	372	..
Chilliwack	308	281	..
Dewdney	266	336	..
Yale	41	30	..
New Westminster	670	560	..

Kootenay.

	Lib.	Con.	Soc.
Revelstoke	334	302	67
Fernie	243	124	51
Rossland	242	234	56
Cranbrook	309	260	24
Columbia	361	157	76
Ymir	314	198	79
Kaslo	190	187	78
Slocan	180	131	106

Five small places are not counted in above which further increased Galliher's majority.

Comox-Atlin.

(Liberal returned by acclamation.)

	Lib.	Con.
Atlin	1	..
Skeena	1	..
Alberni	1	..
Comox	1	..

A summary of the foregoing gives the following results:

Liberal—Nanaimo, Victoria, Cariboo, Richmond, Revelstoke, Nelson, Slocan, Comox, Esquimalt, Vancouver, Similkameen, Delta, Fernie, Columbia, Atlin, Saanich, Kamloops, Okanagan, Chilliwack, Rossland, Ymir, Skeena, Islands, Yale, Greenwood, New Westminster, Cranbrook, Kaslo and Alberni.

Conservative—Cowichan, Grand Forks, Lillooet and Dewdney.

Socialist—Newcastle.

The foregoing would seem to set at rest effectually any doubt as to whether Premier McBride really represents in his government the popular sentiment of the country.

Premier McBride is believed to be on a trying mission at the present time. His railway policy, which he himself has described as a masterpiece, is being handed about in search of supporters. This done the embryo scheme will likely have to undergo alteration again to suit the wishes of those to whom the Premier must look for support.

Before starting for the upper country the Premier and his specialist, Hon. R. T. Green, made a trip to Nanaimo. The scheme was formally presented to the Dictator, J. H. Hawthornthwaite. The latter may have demanded some changes, but it is certain that he did not veto the scheme. The Premier and his railway specialist came back to the city feeling jubilant over their success and singing praises to the Socialist leader.

The acquiescence of Dictator Hawthornthwaite is said to have come even as a surprise to the Premier and Mr. Green. The anxiety which necessarily preceded this presentation of a policy for Mr. Hawthornthwaite's approval proved too much for Mr. Green. A trip to California was found necessary in order to overcome the reaction.

Since that time Parker Williams has shown some disposition to take a course not altogether in line with his Socialist leader, J. H. Hawthornthwaite. The member for Newcastle has not fallen in with the railway policy enunciated in all its details. It is said that he is not willing to be bound by Mr. Hawthornthwaite's acquiescence in the government's policy.

The Premier has therefore been obliged to look to the restoring of peace among the Conservative members of the House. He has made a trip into the interior. He will, it is said, first lay his policy before Price Ellison and L. W. Shatford. The former has been known to give the present government only a nominal allegiance, and has been in nowise an enthusiastic supporter of the policy which has been inaugurated by the Premier.

Mr. Shatford, on the other hand, is determined upon a railway policy being introduced which will give the Similkameen connection with the outside world. While he is an ardent Conservative, he is before all a business man, and is understood to have been elected primarily in order to enforce railway connection for the riding. It is said that he submitted to the passing over of the claims of his riding last session only on the direct understanding that this year the matter would be taken up.

His peace made with Messrs. Ellison and Shatford, the Premier will head for Nelson. His mission there is understood to be the placating of John Houston. This latter will likely be the most difficult piece of work to which he has addressed himself.

In view of all the troubles in the com- be a surprise if the government lives through the coming session of the legislature.

COMMUNICATIONS.

MR. KINGHAM'S DENIAL.

To the Editor:—In a leading article in yesterday's issue of the Colonist appeared a statement made by A. B. Fraser that I said Mr. Baker should be "fired" because he was a "Conservative," and "to the victors belong the spoils." I deny absolutely ever making such a statement, either to Mr. Fraser or to anyone else. Neither Mr. Fraser nor anyone can produce evidence that I have, in any shape or form, used my position in the party to which I belong, or as a private member of that party, to influence the powers that be to interfere with any civil servant because of his political creed. On the contrary, my opinion is, so long as civil servants are not active partizans, nor any charge of improper conduct or malfeasance is against them, a change of government should not interfere with their positions.

JOSHUA KINGHAM.

Victoria, B. C., Dec. 19, 1904.

THE NEW SCHOOL BOARD.

To the Editor:—In a few days the citizens of Victoria will be called upon to select three representatives to fill the places of the retiring members of the school board. As very much, from the standpoint of the city's reputation, may depend upon the action, progressive or retrograde, of the school board during the next few years, it becomes a matter of great importance that such men should be elected as would best serve the larger interests of the city. At a time when other countries and other towns in our own country are projecting their educational institutions upon broader and freer lines, the suggestion comes from certain quarters that Victoria should pursue an opposite course, retrench in her educational expenditures and impose a tax upon pupils attending her High school. I cannot, Mr. Editor, conceive of any course more likely to give the Queen City of the Pacific a black eye in the estimation of the rest of the world. On the contrary, if we wish to attract to Victoria people of wealth, enterprise and culture, people who will help to build up our city, make it more prosperous and increase the value of its real estate, the most effective course would be to improve our educational institutions, which, with all their excellent features, are still far below what they should be.

The three retiring members of the school board are Messrs. Jay, Hall and Huggett. I have heard it said that Mr. Jay is willing to stand for re-election. If that be true I do not think a wiser selection could be made, as he has proved himself a very valuable member of the board, and the experience he has already had should make his future work even more efficient. Dr. Hall, I understand, will retire and seek admission into another department of the city's service. Mr. Huggett, notwithstanding the fact that he has intimated that he would like to lay down the burden, could probably be induced to serve the city for another term. As he has always stood for higher efficiency and progress in our schools, and as he has pronounced himself unequivocally opposed to the imposition of a High school fee, his return to the board should be highly acceptable to all who are interested in our schools. Could a third, equally as competent, be discovered and the three elected, it would be a matter of good fortune to the city.

VICTORIAN.

A WORD IN SEASON.

To the Editor:—There is no mistaking the fact, that "Father of a Family" in his letters has struck a note of vital interest, both to our city and its residents. The question of what to do with your boys and girls is a momentous one to most of our citizens. If we are losing our most desirable citizens, those with families, who are compelled by the stern necessity to afford their children a means of livelihood by a mechanical or professional calling, it is a matter that is serious to our city's future.

Victorians can recall to mind the number of bright boys and girls who have had to leave our city by reason of the few chances offered to learn a trade or occupation, and what has been a loss to us has been a gain to the "Other Side." One or two persons have replied to "Father of a Family," but there has been no one who combatted the arguments that there is a deplorable lack of support accorded to our local manufacturers. "Observer" says that the public buy these goods they are familiar with, and as he puts it, both to sight and mind. He also asserts that there is an insufficiency of advertising on the part of local manufacturers. "Observer" may have his ideas of advertising, but I assert that there are few firms who advertise more, for the business done, than the Victoria manufacturers. It is presumed that every householder and merchant doing business in our city knows the names of our local manufacturing concerns and the lines they manufacture. Who is there who does not know of M. R. Smith's biscuits, the Excelsior Co.'s biscuits, Pendray's soaps, Albion Iron Works' stoves, Brackman & Ker's cereal foods, Stemler's coffees and spices, the B. Wilson Co.'s meats, B. C. paints, and other lines manufactured in Victoria? Is it not a fact that it is due to these firms that our exhibitions have been made a success? Who is it that is tapped on every occasion for subscriptions? Who supports the 24th of May celebrations, the city charities, the hospitals, also bazaars, subscriptions to the exhibition, etc., every year? Who pays the taxes? Who has to bear the burden of taxation? Whose time is freely given to the support of all matters affecting the public interest? The manufacturers of Victoria. These institutions get very little support from the hole-in-the-wall commission men who "Father of a Family" refers to. Victoria is no doubt infested with a lot of small commission men, employing little or no assistance, paying no wages, whose names seldom or never appear on the various subscription lists, but who eke out a living at the expense of the local manufacturing firms.

Local wholesale and retail firms are not free from blame. If our city is to progress, manufacuring should be encouraged. If we wish to see our city prosper in numbers and size, we shall be compelled to give a more generous support than is accorded at present, Vancouver, which is alive to what manufacturing means for it, is holding out all kinds of inducements to Mr. Pendray to commence business in that loyal city, and if precedent counts for anything, Mr. Pendray will get a better support in this city then. We have had manufacturers in this city who pulled up their stakes and went to Vancouver, and we see Victoria merchants falling all over them to give them business. Ramsay Bros., and Finley Bros. (the Crown Soap Co.), left Victoria, went to Vancouver, and although Victoria firms doing the same class of business, and making goods of a superior quality, are large employers of labor, and pay heavy taxes here, they do not receive a small portion of the support they are entitled to. But the Vancouver firms get the lion's share of Victoria's business in these lines. In quality our local firms have driven them out of all the provincial exhibitions by reason of the excellence of their goods.

We are nearing the end of 1904. Let us start 1905 with the intention of giving a heartier support to firms who pay wages and taxes in this city. Give the rising generation of boys and girls a chance to learn a trade or profession. Let us encourage those firms we have in our city. If we do this we shall see our city with a population of 30,000. We shall see Victoria a young Seattle. One industry begets another. The incidence of taxation will be spread over a greater number. Our storekeepers will have increased customers. Other manufacturers will be encouraged to start here. It is a matter that affects the labor unions, the parents of families, the merchant, the property owner. There is no sacrifice involved. It means the according of a just measure of fair play to those who have invested capital in our city, who have shown their confidence in Victoria, and who give the opportunity to many to earn their daily bread, both for themselves and their children. Victoria is all right as a residential city. But you cannot expect residents to live on air.

In conclusion I would point out an incident of local manufacturing which is as strong a lesson that I know of, and one that illustrates the value of an industry to any community. In conversation with the secretary of the Victoria Creamery, he told me that the amount received from their sales was over $60,000. This amount was for twelve months. Formerly this money all went out of the province. But this amount was saved to the province, and distributed amongst the local farmers. It means prosperity to them, and in consequence farming land is in demand. God will certainly help those who help themselves. But if Victorians are wise in their generation they will help those who are helping Victoria.

VICTORIA FIRST.

The Paris Court of Appeals has confirmed the judgment of the lower court favorable to "Tod" Sloan the American jockey, and against the Jockey Club. Sloan sued the Jockey Club for $40,000 damages for being warned off the turf.

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MUNICIPAL MATTERS.

We suppose the average man in Victoria is too deeply immersed in business just now to pay a great deal of attention to the fact that the municipal year is about to be reckoned with the times that have passed away, and that we shall soon be called upon to elect a new council and part of a school board.

Possibly the majority will not agree with us that municipal matters have become almost too tame; that there is an absence of the vigorous spirit of criticism and scrutiny around the aldermanic board that convey the impression of robust and vigorous administration. The difference between the present and the old days may be only seeming. The council has been accused of settling its differences in camera in order that the public shall not become "too wise" as to the manner in which its affairs are dealt with. But this may be only speculative criticism. The smoothness of the procedure may be due in part to the urbane spirit of the presiding officer and in part to the special knowledge with which the members approach all subjects of possibly controversial aspect. Perhaps we do not know when we are well off. There is no questioning the fact that municipally Victoria has made great progress during the past few years. Matters of considerable magnitude have been grappled with and settled to the satisfaction of the average ratepayer. Streets have been paved and sidewalks laid and the whole aspect of the city changed very much for the better. We have a new bridge at Point Ellice and a new causeway across James Bay. At one time it appeared as if these two questions would remain interminable subjects of debate. When they were approached with determination the difficulties which appeared to surround them disappeared incontinently. It is true a motion the Mayor has posted would appear to imply that the flats still cry for more mud, but that, we presume, is only a matter of detail connected with the agreement with the C. P. R.

Nevertheless a growing city presents new problems in government to its governors as it advances. To-day there are more important works than ever demanding attention. The Victoria water works must be builded anew as speedily as possible. The domestic water pipe does not rise to requirements at the season of the year when an abundant supply of water is very desirable. In addition, the present condition of affairs must be a menace to the city at all times when a spark from a chimney in conspiracy with the breezes that blow may work calamitous mischief. Then there is the growing section of Victoria West claiming with reason that it is unjustly treated in being deprived of benefits from the principal municipal services for which it is taxed like the rest of us. Evidently there are no smooth times ahead for the men who aspire to "municipal honors."

Mayor Barnard has announced that he will be in the field for a second term as the head of the Council. According to the unwritten law in such cases made and provided, if found worthy a Mayor who serves one term is entitled by natural selection to a second year. Apart from aby implied right, we think it will be generally conceded that Mr. Barnard has earned a second term. He has attended to his duties with assiduity, he has presided over the council with urbanity and judgment, he has left few openings for criticism in his administration, he has been progressive, he has performed so well his part in all negotiations having for their object municipal advancement, that we think he should be given the opportunity to wrestle with the weightier problems yet to be attacked. Some of the old members of the Council are considering the propriety or feeling the necessity of taking a rest from their labors. Having given diligent service, they feel that they may rest upon their honors. From announcements that have been made, we are confident that worthy successors will be available. That persistent perennial, Mr. E. Bragg, we doubt not, will be in the field on the solicitation of his many friends who desire to inject into the council the necessary leaven of judgment mingled with experience. We hope to see many more candidates blossom forth in response to urgent demands. The larger the field the better the chance for the public to pick the men it has confidence in.

In regard to the selection of school trustees, we publish a letter to-day signed "Victorian," which we recommend to the attention of every patriotic citizen. It is doubtful exceedingly whether the duties of the Board of School Trustees are in any respect inferior to those of the Aldermanic Board. To those who are sceptical as to the utility of a liberal education for all citizens, the fact that the School Board expends large sums of money may appeal with effect. It is a remarkable fact that in no other city in which free schools of the very best quality are an essential, does one ever hear talk of educational retrogression. But it is reassuring to know that the element which annually raises the question is a comparatively small one. We therefore hope that the new school board will be as progressive in its ideas and as determined to advance and not to recede as the new municipal council ought to be.

VICTORS AND SPOILS.

The investigation into the affairs of the Victoria Pilotage Board is not a matter for public discussion at the present time. The pilots thought they had a grievance and they asked for an inquiry before a commissioner. Their request—a very proper one, it will be admitted from the evidence given—has been granted. The commissioner will forward his report to the government, and in due time there will be action either exonerating or condemning the course of the secretary of the Board.

But there is one charge that cannot lie against the representatives of the Liberal party in Victoria or in other parts of the Dominion: that in their representations to the government they have urged the American political doctrine that "to the voctors belong the spoils." Scores of civil servants appointed under previous governments are ready to subscribe to the truth of that statement. In the conduct of Canadian affairs there has been absolute impartiality as between appointees under the old regime and the nominees of the present government. The official who attended to his duties has gone about his business in absolute security that his position was secure and that none could do him harm. This being an unquestioned fact, it is not necessary to further reply to the wild vagaries of the yellow-eyed representative of a discredited, defeated and disgraced party that "any man who ever professed Conservative 'principles' is not to be permitted to hold office under the present government."

SALMON FISHERIES.

We are pleased to observe that the Seattle Post-Intelligencer has at last grasped the facts in relation to the sockeye fisheries. Commenting on the failure of the industry to prove remunerative in past years, our contemporary says: "These figures emphasize the need of sockeye propagation. The sockeye salmon are our commercially valuable fish. But unrestricted catching has had its effect on the runs. The pack, in view of the salmon canning capacity of the Sound plants, should be an object lesson. We must have restrictions. Salmon must go up their spawning streams or hatcheries can't be operated. No closed season can be successful that isn't enforced by state statutes, and we have no laws on the subject. It is certainly time to do something that will prevent the extermination of our most valuable and most prolific food fish."

We observe that the states of Washington and Oregon have been unable to reach an agreement in regard to the measures necessary to conserve and preserve the fishing industry on the Columbia river. But in the matter of the sockeye fisheries there is no necessity for conferences with competitors in business. The sockeye fisheries, it is true, are common to British Columbia and Washington. But on the one side action has already been taken with a view to the future. On the other side nothing has yet been done to meet the urgent requirements of the case. The Washington legislature has but to enact laws providing for close seasons such as the fishermen of British Columbia are bound to observe and there will soon be a sufficient supply of fish reaching the spawning grounds to permit the hatcheries to be successfully operated. As we have already said, and as the Post-Intelligencer now says, understandings unless crystalized into legislative enactments will be of no avail. Let us hope the Washington legislators will act promptly. The fact that causes apprehension is the extremely ponderous nature of American legislative machinery. There are too many interested hands on the throttle.

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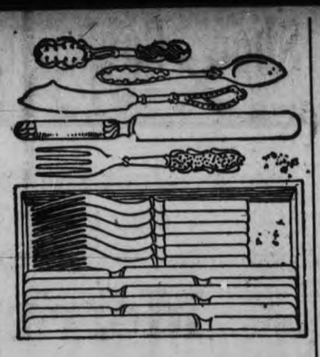
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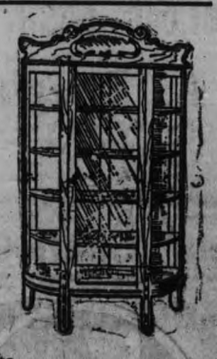
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—The trial of the four Chinamen charged with conspiring against Wong Gow and Wong On, accused of murdering the manager of the Chinese theatre, will be taken by Judge Harrison. He will sit on Tuesday for the purpose of setting a date for the trial.

—The directors of the Royal Jubilee hospital acknowledge with thanks the receipt of a donation of $25 from J. B. Van Lokeren and his brother, both of whom reside in France. The donation was made through A. W. Bridgeman, agent for the Van Lokeren Bros.

—The Cedar Hill Dramatic Club will present the three-act comic farce "Bright and Gay" in Temperance hall, Cedar Hill, on Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock. The play will be preceded by a short musical programme. All those who attend are assured an enjoyable evening.

—Owing to the numerous applications for admittance to the Refuge Home, the committee would ask any friend who has a single bedstead and mattresses to spare or other bedroom furniture, if they would kindly donate the same to the institute, as there are several unfurnished rooms which are ready to be fitted up for use.

—As Christmas time is drawing near the Friendly Help Association would respectfully ask for the usual donations of articles of new clothing, etc., which may be sent to the market hall, so that those whom our Saviour tells us we should always have with us can be made more comfortable and cheerful at this happy season of peace and goodwill to men.

—The Victoria Poultry and Pet Stock Association will meet at H. E. Levy's restaurant, 124 Government street, tomorrow at 8 p.m. A full attendance is desired in order to make final arrangements for the exhibition which is to be held in the old Methodist church building, corner of Broad and Pandora streets. The catalogues for the show are being distributed by W. A. Jameson, secretary, 71 Fort street.

—A message has been received from the East announcing the death of Jane Sophia Bales, one of the pioneers of this city. She died yesterday at the home of her niece, Miss Stuart, of Grand Pre, Nova Scotia. The deceased was one of the earliest residents of this city, coming here about 60 years ago. She resided in Victoria West until a short time ago, when she left for the East. Her death was due to an attack of pneumonia.

—H. G. Robinson wishes to notify the public who are interested that the last lectures and exhibitions and last chance to buy Marconi shares at par will be given on Monday night, Tuesday afternoon and Wednesday afternoon and evening. This will be the last chance to see the most wonderful invention of the age. On Thursday there will be a special demonstration. Mr. Robinson will be at Institute hall daily from 10 to 4 to explain the workings, etc. *

—At the regular meeting of the Victoria Stationary Engineers' Association, held last Thursday evening in their rooms, Five Sisters' block, the fourth of the series of papers now being given by the members was read by F. C. Winterburn, his subject being "Injectors." The subject, which was fully illustrated by drawings and diagrams, was ably handled, and was greatly appreciated by all the members. The next paper to be given will be on condensers, by T. Watson.

—The Canadian Pacific railway has created a separate department for the management of their noted system, and has provided for a new office, with headquarters in Montreal. Hayter Reed, the manager of the Chateau Frontenac at Quebec, will be in charge of the new department. As a result of Mr. Reed's appointment Geo. Major, manager of the Place Viger hotel, accompanied by his chief clerk, C. Derouville, will go to the Chateau Frontenac, and I. H. R. Phillips, chief clerk of the latter hotel, accompanied by Mr. Allerton, will fill the vacancies at the Place Viger.

—One of the highest authorities on dietary, Mr. Jonathan Hutchinson, in the London Times of October 1st, says: "In reference to the suggestion to give children tea at early ages, I may explain that it is done advisedly. It rouses the dull, calms the excitable, prevents headaches and fits the brain for work. To stigmatize this invaluable article of diet as a 'nerve stimulent' is erroneous, for it has a right to rank as a nerve nutrient." Especially is it so when of the highest quality, and in getting your tea in the sealed lead packets of the "Salada" brand you are assured of the best. *

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time of the reopening of schools to plant a few more trees on the grounds of the High school. Sir Henri Joly de Lotbiniere, whose interest in arboriculture is so well known, has been asked to assist and put one of the trees in position. His Honor has consented to this, and has been asked to select a tree to be planted.

—Owing to a misstatement in Sunday's Colonist great confusion has been caused regarding the date of the Children's Cinderella. The Daughters of Pity will give the annual Cinderella in aid of the hospital on Thursday evening, December 29th, at from 6 p.m. to 2 a.m. Fancy dress is the order of the evening, but is not compulsory. No tickets are sold in advance, all those attending paying at the door.

—Ben Greet (or the Ben Greet players) has consented to give a talk before the "Tuesday Club" to-morrow. The subject before the club for the day is "About Christmas," and Mr. Greet will take as his subject the miracle play, "The Star of Bethlehem," with a short history of such plays and their origin, etc. Members of the club are asked to be punctual, as Mr. Greet will speak at 4 p.m., and it is certain that no member will care to lose such a treat.

—The Pierrot's clever artists are still pleasing large audience at the Hotel Dallas. They, however, have decided to leave Victoria on January 3rd, and as the last chances of seeing them are slipping away, those wanting healthy enjoyment should not miss the bright little show. The Pierrots are also filling a number of private engagements, and on Wednesday they will perform at Metchosin, while to-night their usual Monday evening show will be given at the Dallas.

—The examination of the paper of pupils who have written on the High school entrance examination is now in progress in the department of education. The board of examiners consists of the three public school inspectors, D. Wilson, B. A., A. C. Stewart and J. S. Gordon, B.A., Geo. E. Robinson, B. A., and J. K. Henry, B. A., of the Vancouver High school; David Blair, drawing master of the Normal school; Frank Eaton, M. A., superintendent of city schools, Victoria; W. Argue, superintendent of city schools, Vancouver, and W. Hunter, B.A., principal of Nanaimo High school.

—H. M. S. Shearwater will coal to-day and will go out on her steam trials shortly. The vessel was to leave here for a cruise in southern waters at the beginning of the new year, but orders have come cancelling this voyage and instructing the ship to remain at Esquimault. This is taken by some to indicate that the sloop man-of-war will be relieved from duty on this station. There are still conflicting rumors about the vessels and what will replace them. According to the Naval and Military Record, just to hand, the Grafton, recently recalled from this station, is to replace the Narcissus, a first class cruiser of 5,600 tons, tender to the Excellent, a training ship.

—The novelty in amusement circles for this week is Edward Musliner's troupe of educated pigs and sheep, which is the headline feature of a strong bill which opens at the Grand theatre on Johnson street this afternoon. The only trained sheep in the world join with two large hogs in going through a number of tricks which demonstrate what intelligence and kindness will do in the training of what are undoubtedly the most impossible animals to teach. They climb ladders, do acrobatic stunts, are clowns and comedians, and in fact are busy all the time. This is a great act for the little ones, and as the schools are closed for the holidays the matinee business at the Grand will no doubt be big as well as that at night. Besides the animals the bill includes Sam and Ida Kelly in an original comedy sketch entitled "McGuire's Troubles"; Tommy Hayes, musical trick bone soloist; the Elliotts, harpists and vocalists; Frederic Roberts in the illustrated song, "All's Fair in Love and War," and moving pictures, illustrating the European rest cure.

PERSONAL.

M. Kiddie, son of Manager Thomas Kiddie, of the Ladysmith smelter, who has been employed some time in the art department of the San Francisco Examiner, has been in the city the last day or so. He is on his way home to spend his Christmas holidays.

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Capt. Wallace Langley returned from the Sound by the Whatcom on Saturday evening, and will remain with his family until after the holidays. Capt. J. P. Douglass, Yukon river pilot, was also a passenger by the Whatcom.

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Geo. E. Robinson, Inspector A. C. Stewart, David Blair, W. Argue and J. K. Henry, of Vancouver, and W. Hunter, of Nanaimo, all examiners of the High school entrance examination papers, are staying at the Vernon.

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Captain Gaudin, agent of marine and fisheries, left for Kootenay on Saturday night to install a light keeper at Pilot Bay. The new light on this point on the Kootenay lake is to be set in operation very shortly.

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J. P. Babcock, provincial fishery commissioner, will leave this evening for San Francisco, where he will spend his Christmas holidays.

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Miss McCray, Miss Healey and J. Ezekal were the only arrivals for Victoria on the steamer Umatilla from San Francisco last evening.

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K. Cox, of the Bamfield cable staff, is spending the Christmas holidays in this city. He is staying at the Balmoral.

J. J. Baird, of Port Renfrew; W. E. Robbins, of the Lake district; and L. Bonsall, of Maple Bay, are at the Dominion.

Miss Mercer, of Chatham, Ont., arrived on Saturday evening on a visit to her aunt, Mrs. A. Rocke Robertson.

Capt. S. F. Mackenzie, Wm. McCulloch and A. B. Clabon, of Vancouver, are guests at the Driard.

A. Heathorn, of the Pacific Coast Steamship Company, Vancouver, is staying at the Vernon.

Mr. and Mrs. McHarg, of India, are guests at the Dominion.

R. P. Roberts, of Kuper Island, is staying at the Balmoral.

F. Waring, of Vancouver, is registered at the Balmoral.

Miss Perkins, of Charlottetown, N. B., is at the Vernon.

C. C. Fisher, of New Westminster, is at the Driard.

Chas. H. Crebbin, of Nelson, is at the Dominion.

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VANCOUVER LADIES AND MEN DEFEATED

Junior Rugby Team Also Scored Victory in Match at Terminal City—Island League.

On Saturday Victoria hockey players won two victories over the Vancouver players. The local ladies set a good example in their match, and the men's team following continued the good work.

The games were played on the Oak Bay grounds.

The visitors played very good hockey, but the Victoria ladies proved too expert for them. In consequence the game was played largely in the neighborhood of the Vancouver goal. There were occasional rushes upon Victoria's territory, but the local backs and goal keeper succeeded in each case in saving the situation.

The game ended with a score of 4 to 0 in favor of Victoria.

Mr. Shallcross refereed the ladies' game.

The men's match was a very exciting one. Vancouver brought over a strong aggregation, apparently intending to win the victory. At the opening af the game the visitors set a pace which showed that they were not prepared to fall back on the defensive alone. Victoria's goal, C. McLean, and K. Gillespie, the full back, played magnificent hockey, however, and succeeded in turning aside everything which threatened.

The local forwards very early in the game made things interesting, and carried the game onto the Vancouver half of the field. At half time, however, the score stood 1 to 0 in favor of Victoria.

Immediately after the game opened in the second half the visitors succeeded in winning their only goal throughout the match. The remainder of the game was decidedly in favor of Victoria. The score at the close stood Victoria 6, Vancouver 1.

The match was refereed by Lieut. Elliston.

The attendance at Oak Bay on Saturday was very good, there being more than 400 present.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.

VANCOUVER ISLAND LEAGUE.

The organization of the Vancouver Island Football Association was completed at a meeting in the Y. M. C. A. rooms on Saturday evening. The following clubs were represented at the meeting: Garrison, Victoria-United, H. M. S. Bonaventure, Victoria West and H. M. S. Egeria. There were no representatives from Nanaimo and Ladysmith.

J. G. Brown presided and Corporal Renecle acted as secretary.

After some discussion a constitution, by-laws and cup competition rules were adopted, and the officers were elected as follows: Honorary president, Commander Sandeman, R. N.; president, J. G. Brown; vice-president, J. Adam, of Ladysmith; secretary-treasurer, Corpl. W. J. Renecle, of the barracks.

The following gentlemen were named as delegates to attend a meeting to be called at Vancouver to organize a provincial association; Rev. W. W. Bolton, W. Dickson, Corpl. Renecle and Sergt. Paley.

The contribution of $71 from the Victoria District Football Association towards the purchase of an Island challenge cup was accepted with thanks.

This sum will be supplemented through a canvass to be undertaken by a special committee in the near future. As to the schedule this will be drawn up at a meeting to be arranged by the president and secretary, but it is very likely that the games will be started immediately after New Year's day.

The secretary was authorized to inform the Nanaimo and Ladysmith clubs of the organization of the Island Association, and request them to complete the matches in their circle in time to meet the winners of the Victoria circle for the championship of the Island.

Thus the Vancouver Island Football Association is now an accomplished fact. It is an important step towards the establishment of a provincial organization, a consummation devoutly to be wished. An opportunity will now arise by which the relative merits of the various provincial teams will be properly tested.

INTERMEDIATE GAME.

The intermediate game between the Capitals and Victoria-United second eleven at Oak Bay on Saturday ended in a win for the former by five goals to two.

Wilson kicked off for the Victoria team, but Peden robbed him of the ball, and kicked it to McQuade, who sent in a long shot, but the Victoria-United goalkeeper had no difficulty in handling it. However, the ball was soon returned and although McArthur and Simpson cleverly defended their goal for some time the Capital forwards were not to be denied, and McQuade scored. From the kick off the United front rank went away with a dash, but Temple relieved the pressure, and the ball was soon hovering around the Victoria goal. Until half time the Capitals had the best of the game, and added two more goals to their credit.

On resuming play Wilson made a clever dribble, but Temple could not be passed. Hereabouts, however, the Victoria forwards made a determined onslaught on the Capital goal, and after the goalkeeper had cleverly negotiated several hot shots the ball was banged into the Capital net. Give and take play followed until the whistle sounded for full time, the Capitals adding two more goals to their credit and the United team one.

Mr. Hanbury refereed the game.

SOLDIERS BEAT SAILORS.

The Garrison team defeated the Bonaventure players in a friendly match at the canteen grounds on Saturday afternoon by a score of three goals to one.

BASKETBALL.

MEETING TO-NIGHT.

There will be a meeting of the Victoria City Basketball League at the Y. M. C. A. rooms this evening. Delegates from all the city teams are requested to attend, as business of importance will be transacted.

THE HUNT.

SATURDAY'S RUN.

The run on Saturday of the Victoria Hunt Club took place from the Gorge bridge. Fourteen riders, including four ladies, took part in it. The course was over the property of Messrs. Rogers, Sing and Mercer, the finish taking place near the Burnside hotel.

The run next Saturday will be from C. E. Pooley's, on Langford street, at 2.30.

RUGBY FOOTBALL.

VICTORIA WON AT VANCOUVER.

The Victoria Juniors beat the Vancouverites on their own grounds on Saturday by one goal and a try (8 points) to one goal (five points), after an excellently contested game.

In its report of the match, the Vancouver News-Advertiser says:

"Throughout the entire match, the work of both teams was excellent and the result was always in doubt until the final call of the whistle announced that all was over. The tackling was magnificent and frequently approached sensational. The kicking was splendid and the amount of science displayed at times when judgment was required on the part of the players would have done credit to the oldest veteran on the side lines. The forward work was good, and what advantage the visitors possessed by greater weight and size, was more than off-set by the clever foot work and speed of the locals. The scrimmages were good, and the light boys in blue, who looked as if they should be pushed all over the field by their sturdy, heavy opponents, were conspicuously able to screw or break through when necessity demanded. The half back division of both teams was excellent, and, although in Sargison little Jukes had one of the trickiest men Victoria ever possessed, he managed to hold his own with him. Nason, Victoria's other half, however, was no match for de Wolf, who was probably the most conspicuous man of the entire 30 players. His passing, kicking and saving were all strong points with him, and his work throughout was undoubtedly one of the best exhibitions of half back play ever seen at the Point.

"In the three-quarter line Victoria was particularly strong; each man was individually good, and they combined beautifully. The work of Sargison and Gidley was particularly fine, and it can safely be said that it was in the three-quarter section that the game was saved for the visitors.

"Vancouver, on the contrary, while possessing excellent material, has not had a quarter line, which has upon so many occasions administered defeat to the redshirts, has been entirely promoted to senior or intermediate ranks this year, and the result is an entirely new line. It is a good one, however, and at times gave evidence of what it will do later on in the season.

"At full back there could be no comparison between the two lines. Ogden, for Victoria, although playing a much better game than he did when up recently with the intermediates, gave several chances which, under ordinary circumstances, would have allowed a score against him. On the other hand, Murray, for Vancouver, played an absolutely faultless game, using excellent judgment, and upon nearly every occasion getting in the full length of his kick.

"The game was hard, as these games usually are, and at times it appeared to the spectators that the visitors resorted to methods which are not considered absolutely clean football, and many were heard to remark upon the clean, straightforward tactics pursued by the local boys.

"Space forbids an account in detail of the game itself. In the first half Vancouver had things well in hand, and after some loose scrimmages in which the ball was tossed about from end to end of the field, the Vancouver forwards started a rush which their opponents were powerless to check, and it ended with Davis on the ball right under Victoria's goal posts. The try was neatly converted by Gibson, and, although strenuous efforts were made by Victoria to even up, there was no more scoring in the first half.

"After the rest at half time the boys went at it again hammer and tongs, and both back lines were called upon to do a lot of saving, Vincent doing yeoman service for Vancouver. Finally, by a glaring mistake of one of the Vancouver three-quarters, who tried a fly kick in his own twenty-five-yard line and missed it, Victoria got over, and the try was converted by Raymur. This put new courage into Victoria and they made a determined assault on the blues, but were repulsed, and again Vancouver was the aggressor, and, with the ball only a few yards from the enemy's line, should have scored, but a heavy kick at the wrong moment lost them the chance, and Ogden saved. Shortly after this, Victoria started a dribble and got across Vancouver's line, and, although there was a good deal of dispute about the ball having gone into touch, the referee allowed the try, thus putting the visitors in the lead. There was now no time to even up, and, although the local boys got into dangerous ground and made the red shirts tremble, they were unable to get over, and the game finished 8 to 5, amidst the cheering of the Vancouver boys, who seemed almost as much pleased at the success of their old-time rivals as if they themselves had been the victors.

"Both teams are to be congratulated upon the splendid exhibition of Rugby they gave, and, judging from the good feeling exhibited by the Vancouver boys in their defeat, they in no sence begrudge the Capital City boys their victory. C. H. Woodward refereed."

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We can not wonder at the price Japan would pay for the fortress, since as long as Russia owns that fort the purpose for which this war is fought will not have been accomplished by Japan. If the war should be settled without depriving Russia permanently of the fortress, a dagger would still be pointed at Japan's heart. The control of Korea by Japan would be an insecure defence as long as the strongest position in Manchuria was held by her enemy. Russia needed to hold the fortress for the same reasons that Japan needed to take it. Additional motives for both sides were furnished by considerations of prestige and by the bearing of the Port Arthur situation on the immense struggle further north.

The talk about whether all this desperate courage and destruction about Port Arthur has been well invested, therefore, seems to us beside the mark. If the war was to be at all, Port Arthur was a necessity to each of the combatants, and time was an essential consideration to both, especially to Japan. It being something vital, therefore, to their countries' welfare, Russians and Japanese alike have fought for the stronghold in a manner to prove that man still retains the virtues of the bulldog. Effeminacy, for the great modern nations, is an imaginary bogy.

Let a danger, as vital as has confronted Japan, threaten Germany, France, England, or the United States, and we imagine that they also would still be found capable of fighting desperately in the last ditch.—Collier's for November 18th.

The Russian auxiliary cruiser Okean passed Nyborg, Denmark, on Saturday, proceeding southward. The Okean was last reported at Tangier, Morocco, December 7th, and was proceeding eastward. It is to be presumed that the Okean sustained some damages and is now returning to Kronstadt.

The house committee on the election of president, vice-president and members of congress at Washington, D. C., heard Mrs. C. B. Colby, of Portland, Ore., in favor of the French bill providing for woman suffrage.

John McReynolds, an aged farmer of Oxford township, Greenville county, Ont., was killed, and his son Andrew was seriously and probably fatally injured by being struck by a northbound passenger train at Oxford township line crossing on Friday.

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MINNESOTA HAD A TRYING VOYAGE

MANY TROUBLES ON TRIP AROUND HORN

Wreckage Floats Ashore Between Carmanah and Cloo'ose—Queen City's Return.

To-day the Great Northern steamship Minnesota is scheduled to leave San Francisco for Victoria. Referring to the voyage of the ship around the Horn, a San Francisco dispatch to the Tacoma Ledger says:

An almost continuous fight with fire in the bunkers, trouble with the boilers and threatened mutiny among the firemen are some of the stirring events which have marked the maiden trip of the great American steamship Minnesota. Hardly had the great craft got off a sandbank off Chesapeake bay, where she had bumped hard aground, before the bunkers were discovered on fire.

This blaze continued for 32 days, during which time the crew had a terrible battle with the flames. All hands were set to work, and the struggle for supremacy was kept up night and day. For a time there appeared great danger that the steamship would never make another voyage. Some of her plates grew red-hot. The fire threatened to break out in the cargo. Much of the burning coal had to be jettisoned, and about a week before Coronel, the coaling port in Southern Chile, was reached, the flames were extinguished and all hands breathed easier.

But before Coronel was made there were other troubles aboard. It is reported that the Minnesota had a narrow escape off Cape St. Roque, on the northern coast of Brazil. Here the boilers were found defective, and it was necessary to shut down the engines. There was a strong current into the shore, but under the skillful handling of Captain Truebridge the great ship was anchored in time to prevent her drifting onto the beach. She lay there for two days until temporary repairs were made.

It was but a few days later when it was apparent that further repairs to the boilers were needed, and as a result the Minnesota put into Bahia, where fresh water was secured and six days were spent in patching the defective parts.

However, the 16 Miclaure water-tube boilers continued to give offence, and when the big liner put into Coronel further patching was necessary. Twelve days were spent in this port, where a supply of Chilean coal, replacing that which had been burned, was taken aboard.

It was only four days after sailing from Coronel when it was found that a roaring furnace was raging in the bunkers again, and once more the crew was compelled to fight fire in order to save the vessel. For a time the outlook was serious. Some of the plates on the hull outside were red hot and shrunk; beams were twisted by the great heat, and it was a trying experience for all on board. After two days of nerve-racking suspense, the blaze was under control, although much coal had to be thrown overboard. The night with fire was continued until about a week before the Minnesota reached San Francisco.

It is claimed that the cause of the fires is the proximity of the bunkers to the boilers, due to faulty construction. Members of the crew say the floor plates are so close to the boilers that the temperature is often 200 degrees or more, and that it would set any coal on fire there.

At one time the coal passers, who are nearly all Greeks and Spaniards, flatly refused to work. Several of them were placed in irons. This had a salutary effect upon the others, and they finally concluded to return to their tasks.

Collector of the Port Stratton imposed a fine of $100 on Capt. John Truebridge, master of the steamship Minnesota, for having failed to furnish a certified copy of the crew list to the custom house officers on his arrival.

MONTHLY SHIPPING REPORT.

In their monthly freight and shipping report for November, R. P. Rithet & Co. say:

We have no change to note in the freight market since our last report. One or two vessels have been taken up for grain at low rates, but the firm price of grain offers no inducement to shippers, and business is therefore almost at a standstill.

In the absence of any prospect of improvement a large number of vessels have left in ballast.

The dulness in lumber freights almost equalled that in grain, although towards the end of the month the China rate stiffened, and several fixtures are reported. For other business our quotations are somewhat lower.

We quote freight as follows:

Grain.—San Francisco to Cork, f. o., 17s. 6d., nominal; Portland to Cork, f. o., 20c., nominal; Tacoma and Seattle to Cork, nominal.

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NOT YET LET.

A Montreal dispatch of Saturday's date says: 'Sir Thomas Shaughnessy, president of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, said to-night that the report that the company had contracted for the building of three large and fast steamships by the Fairfield Company, of Glasgow, was incorrect. The company at the present time, however, was negotiating with a Clyde firm for the construction of two 18 knot boats, as authorized at the last annual meeting, for the use of the Atlantic service."

FROM COAST PORTS.

On Saturday evening the steamer Queen City returned from Quatsino and intermediate points with the following passengers: A. W. Nelll, Dr. Whittington, Miss Christie, F. Gustassen, B. Nickerson, Mr. and Mrs. Beker, Captains Smith and Balcom, and Messrs. Holt, Balcom, Collinson, Lomox, Maclay, Shaper, Sullivan, Bosscats, Mansin, Stevens and Jeffry. The steamer had two days of stormy weather on the coast. She reports the Oscar and Hattie, the overdue sealer, still at Nootka. A number of the crew have, it is stated, left the schooner, and others may be sent down the coast to assist in bringing the vessel home. Capt. Balcom has been down on Barkley Sound superintending the erection of a number of the buildings in connection with the new whaling station at that point. We brought back with him about twelve men, having temporarily completed work at the station. Operations are to be resumed in February, it is said; and in March the new steamer intended for the whaling industry, which has been built in Norway, and which is soon to start on her long voyage around the Horn, will be expected.

WRECKAGE COMES ASHORE.

A letter dated December 15th from Carmanah says: "There is a lot of stuff coming ashore. On the seven miles of coast between Cloo'ose and Carmanah the Indians picked up a lot of apples, oranges, onions, etc., a quantity of small pieces of white painted lumber, like cabin fittings, but bearing no marks of identity. The floatsam also includes a vessel's bottom, copper fastened, several hardwood knees and stanchions, empty salmon cases and tins, the latter having the acorn brand with the green acorn and red letters appearing on it, and several large pieces of pork."

Evidently all has come from some wreck, but from the above it is impossible to even speculate on the vessel likely to have met misfortune. The wire betwen Lost creek and Carmanah has been down for weeks, and telegraphic communication is therefore unobtainable.

MARINE NOTES.

It is expected that the steamer City of Puebla will be crowded with passengers when sailing for San Francisco this evening. The saloon list from Victoria will include Mrs. G. W. Rhine, G. W. Sageman, W. Sullivan, J. P. Babcock, H. W. Sutcliffe and wife, Mrs. W. C. Gowdie and two children and A. E. Risk.

A Port Townsend dispatch says: "The damages to the British barque Ancona and the German barque Neck, which collided here Wednesday night, have been surveyed by Lloyd's representatives. The Britisher was found to be damaged to the extent of $6,000, and the German $3,000."

Steamer Umatilla from San Francisco last evening had but three saloon passengers for Victoria, travel northward on the vessels of this line being now very light for all ports of call.

The steamship Mackinaw arrived on Saturday evening with 800 tons of cement from San Francisco for the new C. P. R. hotel in this city.

CUMBERLAND NOTES.

(Special Correspondence of the Times.)

Cumberland, Dec. 15.—Miss Ruth Denton, who has now been about six months at the hospital, underwent an operation some days ago for appendicitis. The operation was performed by Doctors Staples, Gillespie and Mallard, and was the first of the kind ever undertaken in the hospital here. It was quite successful, and Miss Denton is now doing nicely.

W. Logan, assistant of the Royal Bank, has returned from his three weeks' vacation trip, and is now at work again.

Mrs. Piket returned this week from Vancouver, where she has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Mateer, who has been ill.

Mr. Hunden has now moved his stock into the premises recently vacated by Mr. Weinrobe

From the proceeds of a recent concert the Cumberland Athletic Club has been able to order considerable new apparatus. Cumberland will soon be able to present quite a respectable gymnasium.

The funeral of T. H. Piercy took place at the cemetery on Denman Island today. It was largely attended by his many friends. Mr. Piercy was one of the pioneers, having been for a number of years in the province. He leaves a large family to mourn his loss.

THE PATIENT DARKY.

The Hon. John Sharp Williams, leader of the minority in the House of Representatives, says that one day while leisurely driving down a road near his home town in Mississippi, he observed a darky reclining under a tree near the roadside. The negro was gazing lazily up through the branches of the tree, and a hoe lay beside him. In the cornfield adjoining the road there could be seen, Mr. Williams states, many weeds impeding the growth of the grain.

"What are you doing there, Sam?" asked Mr. Williams.

"I'se heah to hoe dat corn, sah," was the answer.

"Then what are you doing under the tree—resting?"

"Not exactly, sah. I ain't hardly resting, 'cause I ain't tired. I'm waitin' fo de sun to go down, so I kin quit work.—Collier's Weekly.

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The chairman of the British North Borneo Company announced at a meeting of the company in London that diamond-bearing ground identical with the Kimberly blue clay, had been found on Labuk river. Samples of diamonds were, he said, being tested in London. The British North Borneo Company occupies the northern part of the island.

The correspondent at Copenhagen of the London Daily Mail says he learns that the Emperor of Austria will visit Copenhagen next spring to take part in the international conference of monarchs on the subject of peace. There is reason to believe, the correspondent adds, that Emperor Nicholas and King Edward have already agreed to attend, and Emperor William is also expected.

PROVINCIAL NEWS.

SANDON.

Sandon has organized a board of trade with the following officers: President, M. L. Grimmett; vice-president, Louis Pratt; secretary-treasurer, W. W. Fallows; council, G. H. Smedley, N. J. Cavanaugh, Albert Ross, S. J. Towgood, Thomas Jalland, E. M. Sandilands, J. G. Potter and Fred Ritchie.

PHOENIX.

William P. Darst, a brakeman in the employ of the C. P. R., was killed by falling under an ore train near Phoenix last Saturday night. The accident occurred at about midnight while the ore train on which Darst was working was running between Phoenix and Eholt. No one knows how Darst chanced to fall as nothing was known of the accident until the brakeman was missed and could not be found. The train was then stopped and a search made. The body was found on the track where Darst had evidently fallen between two cars and been run over. Deceased was about 25 years old. He came from Stanford, Kentucky.

VANCOUVER.

The raiding of the colored porters' club by the police has taken an unexpected turn, Police Magistrate Williams declaring that, according to his interpretation of the law, the club is not a disorderly house. Consequently the colored men raided by the police have been dismissed. The club was the resort of colored people, and alleged gambling was going on nightly. It was, however, a club under the Benevolent Societies' Act of the province, and the magistrate was powerless to act in the matter. He imposed a fine on the colored women gathered in at the raid, as they confessed to being inmates of houses of ill-repute.

ROSSLAND.

The opening of the civil sitting of the Supreme court on Tuesday was made memorable by an address of welcome and congratulation to Mr. Justice Morrison, delivered by A. C. Galt, president of the Rossland Bar Association, on behalf of the association, to which His Lordship responded in a feeling and appropriate manner. Amongst those present in wig and gown were: A. C. Galt, J. A. Macdonald, A. H. MacNeill, C. R. Hamilton, C. E. Gillan, W. P. Dockerill, E. S. H. Winn, John S. Clute, R. W. Armstrong, W. J. Nelson, T. S. Bowman and Robert Hodge. Besides, there were the witnesses and a number of citizens present, including Frederick Schofield, ex-registrar of the Supreme court.

NEW WESTMINSTER.

"The death occurred yesterday evening in St. Mary's hospital of Sister Mary Dominie," says Thursday's Columbian. "The immediate cause of death was heart failure. The late Sister Mary Dominie taught her class as usual in St. Ann's convent on Monday, but on Tuesday she was taken ill and was removed to St. Mary's hospital, where she lingered on in a semi-unconscious state and received the last rites of the church before she passed peacefully away last evening, surrounded by her sisters in religion and attended by the Rev. Mother Provincial from Victoria. The remains will be taken via C. P. R. to Victoria tomorrow morning, where they will be interred. The late Sister Mary Dominie labored for more than 15 years in St. Ann's convent in this city."

NELSON.

A special meeting of the board of directors of the Kootenay Lake General hospital was called for Tuesday afternoon. A fairly full meeting resulted, and all hopes for an amalgamation of the two rival hospitals on friendly terms are indefinitely postponed.

Without hearing argument by the prosecution, which had rested its case, Justice Vernon M. Davis, in the Criminal branch of the Supreme court, New York, on Friday denied the motion of Nan Paterson's counsel to acquit her of the charge of murdering Young, and adjourned the trial until Monday at the request of the defence.

Unprecedentedly low bids were offered for the construction of the United States battleship New Hampshire and the armored cruisers Montana and North Carolina. It is probable that an official announcement will award the contract for the cruisers to the Newport News Shipbuilding Company for $3,375,000 each, and the battleship to the New York Shipbuilding Company for $3,758,000, those being the lowest bids offered. The lowest aggregate bid for these three ships was exactly $1,377,000 less than the aggregate lowest bids for three sister ships a little over a year ago, a reduction of 11 per cent. in price.

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Land Commissioner.

THE WISE JUDGE.

Representative Dinsmore, of Arkansas, tells of a rural justice of the peace in that state who was approached by a man desiring a divorce. The justice was in a quandary. Calling the baliff to his side, he whispered:

"What's the law on this p'int?"

"You can't do it," was the reply. "It's out of your jurisdiction."

The husband, observing the consultation between the two officials, anxiously interjected: "I'm willin' to pay well; got the money right here in this sock!"

At this the justice assumed his gravest judicial air. Adjusting his spectacles, he said:

"You know'd before you came here that 'twarnt for me to separate husband and wife; and yet you not only take up the valuable time of this here court with yo' talkin', but you actually perpose to bribe me with money! Now, how much have you got in that sock?"

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NOTICE.

We, the undersigned, being petitioners for the incorporation of the Districts of Victoria, Lake and South Saanich into a Municipality, hereby give notice of our intention to apply to His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor in Council for Letters Patent under the Public Seal incorporating the Districts of Victoria, Lake and South Saanich into a District Municipality (excepting only such portions thereof as form Indian Reservations), under the name of The Corporation of the District of Saanich.

ANDREW STRACHAN.
J. STUART YATES.
JNO. G. ELLIOTT.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that, under and pursuant to the "Revised Statutes of Canada, 1886," Chapter 92, the Taylor Mill Company, Limited, of Victoria, B. C., has applied to the Governor-General in Council for a lease of certain foreshore rights, and for approval of the plan and site for the erection of a new wooden wharf adjoining the present wharf of the said Company in Rock Bay, in the harbor of the said City of Victoria.

A plan of the said proposed works and improvements, and a description by metes and bounds of the proposed sites of the same, has been deposited with the Minister of Public Works at Ottawa, and duplicates thereof have been deposited in the Land Registry Office at Victoria aforesaid.

Victoria, B. C., the first day of December, 1904.

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SYNOPSIS OF REGULATIONS FOR DISPOSAL OF MINERALS ON DOMINION LANDS IN MANITOBA, THE NORTH-WEST TERRITORIES AND THE YUKON TERRITORY.

Coal.—Coal lands may be purchased at $10 per acre for soft coal and $20 for anthracite. Nor more than 320 acres can be acquired by one individual or company. Royalty at the rate of ten cents per ton of 2,000 pounds shall be collected on the gross output.

Quartz.—Persons of eighteen years and over and joint stock companies holding free miners' certificates may obtain entry for a mining location.

A free miner's certificate is granted for one or more years, not exceeding five, upon payment in advance of $7.50 per annum for an individual, and from $50 to $100 per annum for a company, according to capital.

A free miner, having discovered mineral in place, may locate a claim 1,500x1,500 feet by marking out the same with two legal posts, bearing location notices, one at each end on the line of the lode or vein.

The claim shall be recorded within fifteen days if located within ten miles of a mining recorder's office, one additional day allowed for every additional ten miles or fraction. The fee for recording a claim is $5.

At least $100 must be expended on the claim each year or paid to the mining recorder in lieu thereof. When $500 has been expended or paid, the locator may, upon having a survey made, and upon complying with other requirements, purchase the land at $1.00 an acre.

Permission may be granted by the Minister of the Interior to locate claims containing iron and mica, also copper, in the Yukon Territory, of an area not exceeding 160 acres.

The patent for a mining location shall provide for the payment of a Royalty of 2½ per cent. of the sales of the products of the location.

Placer Mining.—Manitoba and the N. W. T., excepting the Yukon Territory.—Placer mining claims generally are 100 feet square; entry fee, $5, renewable yearly. On the North Saskatchewan River claims are either bar or bench, the former being 100 feet long and extending between high and low water mark. The latter includes bar diggings, but extends back to the base of the hill or bank, but not exceeding 1,000 feet. Where steam power is used, claims 200 feet wide may be obtained.

Dredging in the rivers of Manitoba and the N. W. T., excepting the Yukon Territory.—A free miner may obtain only two leases of five miles each for a term of twenty years, renewable in the discretion of the Minister of the Interior.

The lessee's right is confined to the submerged bed or bars of the river below low water mark, and subject to the rights of all persons who have, or who may receive, entries for bar diggings or bench claims, except on the Saskatchewan River, where the lessee may dredge to high water mark on each alternate leasehold.

The lessee shall have a dredge in operation within one season from the date of the lease for each five miles, but where a person or company has obtained more than one lease one dredge for each fifteen miles or fraction is sufficient. Rental, $10 per annum for each mile of river leased. Royalty at the rate of two and a half per cent. collected on the output after it exceeds $10,000.

Dredging in the Yukon Territory.—Six leases of five miles each may be granted to a free miner for a term of twenty years, also renewable.

The lessee's right is confined to the submerged bed or bars in the river below low water mark, that boundary to be fixed by its position on the 1st day of August in the year of the date of the lease.

The lessee shall have one dredge in operation within two years from the date of the lease, and one dredge for each five miles within six years from such date. Rental, $100 per mile for first year and $10 per mile for each subsequent year. Royalty, same as placer mining.

Placer Mining in the Yukon Territory.—Creek, gulch, river and hill claims shall not exceed 250 feet in length, measured on the base line or general direction of the creek or gulch, the width being from 1,000 to 2,000 feet. All other placer claims shall be 250 feet square.

Claims are marked by two legal posts, one at each end, bearing notices. Entry must be obtained within ten days, if the claim is within ten miles of mining recorder's office. One extra day allowed for each additional ten miles or fraction.

The person or company staking a claim must hold a free miner's certificate.

The discoverer of a new mine is entitled to a claim of 1,000 feet in length, and if the party consists of two, 1,500 feet altogether, on the output of which no royalty shall be charged, the rest of the party ordinary claims only.

Entry fee, $10. Royalty at the rate of two and one-half per cent. on the value of the gold shipped from the Yukon Territory to be paid to the Comptroller.

No free miner shall receive a grant of more than one mining claim on each separate river, creek or gulch, but the same miner may hold any number of claims by purchase, and free miners may work their claims in partnership by filing notice and paying fee of $2. A claim may be abandoned, and another obtained on the same creek, gulch or river, by giving notice and paying a fee.

Work must be done on a claim each year to the value of at least $200.

A certificate that work has been done must be obtained each year; if not, the claim shall be deemed to be abandoned, and open to occupation and entry by a free miner.

The boundaries of a claim may be defined absolutely by having a survey made and publishing notice in the Yukon Official Gazette.

Petroleum.—All unappropriated Dominion lands in Manitoba, the Northwest Territories and within the Yukon Territory are open to prospecting for petroleum, and the Minister may reserve for an individual or company having machinery on the land to be prospected an area of 1,920 acres for such period as he may decide, the length of which shall not exceed three times the breadth. Should the prospector discover oil in paying quantities, and satisfactorily establish such discovery, an area, not exceeding 640 acres, including the oil well, will be sold to the prospector at the rate of $1 an acre, and the remainder of the tract reserved, namely, 1,280 acres, will be sold at the rate of $3 an acre, subject to royalty at such rate as may be specified by Order in Council.

JAMES A. SMART,
Deputy of the Minister of the Interior.
Dept. Interior.

Municipal Election, 1905.

Notice is hereby given that in order to qualify as voters at the forthcoming Municipal Election, either as license holders or householders, such persons are required during the month of December to make and subscribe before a Supreme or County Court Judge, Stipendiary or Police Magistrate, Commissioner for taking affidavits in the Supreme Court, Justice of the Peace or Notary Public, the statutory declaration provided by the "Municipal Elections Act."

This declaration may be made before Mr. W. W. Northcott, City Assessor, who is a Justice of the Peace in and for the City of Victoria, at his office, City Hall.

Assessed real estate owners are not required to make this declaration.

WELLINGTON J. DOWLER,
C. M. C.

Victoria, B. C., Dec. 2nd, 1904.

Land Registry Act.

In the Matter of an Application for a Duplicate Certificate of Title to Sub-Division No. 10 of Lot 121 A., Victoria City.

Notice is hereby given that it is my intention at the expiration of one month from the first publication hereof to issue a duplicate of the Certificate of Title to the above land, issued to Ellen Carroll on the 13th day of May, 1865, and numbered 1353.

S. Y. WOOTTON,
Registrar-General.

Land Registry Office, Victoria, B. C., 13th day of December, A. D., 1904.

NOTICE.

Applications for the position of Clerk of the Police Court, accompanied by testimonials and references, will be received at the office of the undersigned until Monday, the 19th inst., at 4 p. m.

Applicants are requested to state whether they are stenographers or not.

Salary at the rate of $65.00 per month.

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City Clerk's Office,
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VERDICT FOR TANGHE.

He Was Awarded $1,500 Damages For False Arrest and Imprisonment.

A verdict has been given in the case of Taughe vs. Morgan. The particulars of the case have already appeared in the Times. The Rossland Miner of Thursdays says:

"The jury in the case of Taughe vs. Morgan came in last night at 10.25, after being out for 40 minutes, and rendered a verdict in favor of the plaintiff, Edward Taughe, in the sum of $1,500 for false arrest and imprisonment. Yesterday was the second day of the trial. The first witness was Thomas Montgomery, who testified to accompanying Taughe to the Shamrock placer claim for the fun of it, and as to what occurred there. This closed the evidence for the plaintiff.

"E. M. Morgan, the defendant; Frank Holten, formerly book-keeper for the Great Northern Mines, Limited; F. C. Campbell, the mining recorder at Trout Lake, and John Simpson, deputy mining recorder and police constable at Poplar at the time of the arrest of Taughe, gave testimony for the defence.

"J. A. Macdonald, counsel for the defence, addressed the jury from 3.15 till 4.45 p.m. A. H. MacNeill's address to the jury on behalf of the plaintiff lasted from 4.45 to 6.15 p.m. The court then adjourned till 8.30 p.m. Mr. Justice Morrison's charge to the jury occupied the time from 8.30 till 9.55 p.m., and was a very fair and complete one.

"When the verdict was rendered Mr. Macdonald gave notice that he would apply for an appeal from the verdict, and the application will be heard to-day."

THE SAVOY.

Melodrama Entitled "Happy Jack, or the Boot-Black's Xmas" the Attraction This Week.

The Savoy theatre is again to the front this week with a mammoth holiday bill of novelties. The Hewlette company present the sensational comedy melodrama in three acts of "Happy Jack, or a Boot-Black's Xmas." The play is of the Katie Emmett calibre, and abounds in sensational features from start to finish, as well as laughable comedy complications. The role of Happy Jack will be in the hands of Miss Minnie Adams, a petite comedienne, who has starred in the role throughout the States; Miss Marie Sparrow, the English actress, will be seen in the emotional leading role of Jennie, a convict's wife; and Mr. Hewlette will play his original character of Antonio, the heartless Italian. The rest of the cast will be in competent hands. The first act is laid in Greater New York; second act at Sing Sing, and the third act in Boston. The comedy roles introduce a Marks, the lawyer, an old soldier and a foxy negro. The great railroad scene of the second act is a prime feature.

With an array of fifteen vaudeville acts to be introduced, in conjunction with "Happy Jack," a week of crowded houses are in store for the management of this home of vaudeville and burlesque. Prices always the same at the Savoy, 15c. and 25c.

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(Continued from page 1.)

REPORTS SINKING OF FOUR TORPEDO BOATS.

Tientsin, Dec. 19.—A junk, which arrived to-day from Port Arthur, reports that four Japanese torpedo boats were sunk during the attacks on the Russian battleship Sevastopol, which they say has now sought refuge under Golden Hill.

JAPANESE HAVE TAKEN ANOTHER FORT.

Tokio, Dec. 19.—Evening—The Japanese fired an immense mine under portions of the north fort of East Keekwan mountain at 2 o'clock yesterday (Sunday) afternoon. The infantry immediately afterward charged, and occupied the fort with a force.

It is reported that the Japanese have seized a strong position about a thousand yards southeast of 203-Metre Hill, preparatory to assaulting the new town and pushing between Liao Ti mountain and the Russian headquarters at Port Arthur.

The fighting against Sugshu mountain continues.

RUMOR OF PROPOSED MEDIATION IS DENIED.

London, Dec. 19.—The German embassy informs the Associated Press that there is no truth whatever in the reports of an Anglo-German movement looking to mediation in the Russo-Japanese war. German remains determined to do nothing until invited. Up to the present they have not been invited.

ONLY OUTER LINE OF DEFENCES TAKEN.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 18.—Gen. Stoessel's latest dispatches from Port Arthur were published to-day, but, as given out, do not carry the story of the garrison's stubborn defence beyond December 10th, thus leaving a gap of at least five days between the official word of the military commander and the unofficial story of Commander Mizzeneoff, which was given out at Chefoo. It is not pretended that the dispatches are published in full. They contain much that is of strategical interest, and matter which it is obviously impossible to disclose to the public.

The dispatches have been in the hands of the Emperor three days, but their contents were known to few besides His Majesty and his personal aides.

The story of the operations, as far as it has been given out, is intensely interesting, and shows that there had been an almost uninterrupted assault of the most desperate character from November 20th to December 10th, when the Japanese, after losing over 22,000 men, captured 203-Metre hill, and were able from that position to shell the squadron in the Port Arthur roadstead.

There the official account ends, but it is explained that the Japanese do not occupy the top of the hill, which is still exposed to a deadly fire from the Russian artillery. The Japanese are using a plunging fire from very heavy guns from behind the crest of the hill, but that this fire is efficiently directed is shown by the damage suffered by the Russian squadron. The Japanese are credited with using eleven-inch and sixteen-inch mortars and howitzers. The effect of these must be most deadly when turned on the neighboring forts.

The public reception of Gen. Stoessel's dispatches as a whole is not bad. Everyone is loud in praise of General Stoessel's defence of Port Arthur, while the authorities assert that the main line of forts has not yet been broken.

The Japanese so far have used every device of engineering skill in making approaches, but, with enormous sacrifices, have been able to take only the outer line of defences.

It is declared the garrison probably will be able to hold out a considerable time yet.

A matter of much speculation is why the orders to take out or sink the squadron in deep water were not carried out. The only explanation offered is that the crews and guns were drafted ashore, and that at the last moment it was impossible to move the ships under the heavy Japanese fire.

CHINESE WILL BE SHORT OF FOOD AND FUEL.

Headquarters of Japanese Second Army, via Fusan, Dec. 18.—There is a probability that there will be a shortage of fuel and food among the Chinese this winter. Firewood is quoted at $40 per ton and food is selling at three times its normal value, with the end of the supply in sight. The Japanese are paying Chinese laborers treble their ordinary wages, and also are paying market prices for all the fuel and supplies they purchase. The cold weather continues.

The military situation is unchanged.

NO FOOD FOR HORSES.

Warsaw, Dec. 19.—On account of the scarcity of hay, the peasants of the Vistale districts are compelled to sell their horses as low as $2 a piece. The poor Jews, in order to comply with the rite requiring fish on the table on Fridays, are buying fish heads from the restaurants.

Nan Patterson, who is now on trial charged with the murder of Caesar Young, probably will go in the witness box in her own behalf. She has for some time manifested a desire to tell her version of the affair and from present indications her counsel will acquiesce. It is believed that Miss Patterson will be the only witness for the defence.

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LOCAL NEWS

—The Princess Victoria left Vancouver at 1.20, connecting with the train from the East.

—The pupils of Miss Archbutt and Miss Messenger gave a very enjoyable recital in Waitt's hall on Saturday afternoon. There was a large attendance and all were struck with the marked progress the youthful performers had made under the capable instruction they had received.

—The Sunday school of the Centennial Methodist church will hold its annual Christmas entertainment on Wednesday evening next. Instead of the usual Christmas tree the pupils will bring presents which will be distributed during the evening. There will be a choice programme given. The concert begins at 7.30 in the evening.

—The attention of the police court this morning was devoted to the preliminary hearing of four more Chinese charged with conspiring to prosecute Wong On and Wong Gow, who are charged with the murder of Mau Quan in the Chinese theatre last year. W. J. Taylor, K.C., is prosecuting and Geo. Powell is appearing for the defence.

—The annual meeting of the Vancouver Island Veterans' Association will be held in the Pioneer hall on the evening of January 10th, 1905. A full attendance of all members of the association in the city and country is requested. The meeting will be the most important of any held since the organization of the association. Officers for 1905 will be elected tion considered.

—As will be seen in the advertising columns the Bishop Potter plan of running licensed premises is to be adopted in Victoria. Harry Cole, of the Pritchard House, is introducing the innovation. At the Pritchard he has made complete arrangements for serving hot coffee, beef tea, Bovril, etc., to all who like those drinks scientifically made. The success attending the venture is great.

—The ladies in charge of the Christmas work at the Friendly Help rooms kindly request all friends of the society who intend donating to do so not later than Tuesday, December 20th inst., as they wish to have everything sent out by that date. They expect to send boxes to a large number, many of whom are not in actual want, but to whom a substantial Xmas dinner is a godsend.

—Ben Greet's players will give as a matinee on Wednesday afternoon their great play "Everyman." Special prices will be charged and there is no reason why there should not be a large attendance. School children have an opportunity of witnessing a performance such as is seldom seen in this country and by a company comprised of artists, and headed by one of the best living. "Everyman" is educative as well as entertaining.

—This morning W. Fernie, of Oak Bay road, generously handed to F. Elworthy, secretary-treasurer of the Royal Jubilee hospital board, donations to the hospital and several of the charitable institutions in the city. Of the $40 handed in, $10 is to go to the Jubilee hospital, $10 to the Protestant Orphans' Home, $10 to the Old Men's Home, and $10 to the Old Women's Home. The sums donated to the last three institutions can be obtained by the several treasurers from Mr. Elworthy.

—A splendid likeness of D. E. Campbells' well known Irish setter Flash has recently been painted by Miss Helene Beygrau, and is on exhibition. The work, in a forcible manner, bespeaks the gifted accomplishments of the artist, who is a sister of Paul Beygrau, of this city, with whom she is staying for a few months. She was with the world-famed engraver Meissenbach in Vienna and Leipsic, and has in her possession some beautiful specimens of her own art, Flash being an apt illustration of this talent. Miss Beygrau's copper etchings are particularly fine.

—The children of the Victoria public schools, as usual, generously responded to the appeal of the Friendly Help Society for donations for the poor and needy, with the result that many a little heart will be made glad by the gifts that will soon be distributed by this worthy organization. So many were the donations, and so varied were they, that a big wagon was required to convey them to the market building. The public have an opportunity to supplement these gifts to-day, to-morrow and Thursday, and there is no doubt that they will respond just as liberally as the children.

—The members of the Victoria Ladies' Hockey Club entertained the Vancouver exponents of the game and their friends at a dance in the Assembly ball on Saturday night. There were between two and three hundred young people present and all spent a most enjoyable evening. The ballroom was most elaborately decorated, the club colors occupying a conspicuous place in the adornment. The music was excellently furnished by Miss Thain and Edgar Fawcett, while the floor was in splendid condition. During the evening supper was served by the ladies. The committee in charge consisted of the Misses Nason, Wilson, Leeming, Hardie and Sehl.

—Owing to the mild weather which has prevailed in Victoria so far this winter, there has not been in evidence the usual display of eastern poultry this year. Turkeys have not been so plentiful this year in the Eastern markets, and the big shipments usually sent westward for the Christmas trade will probably not be seen this season. But there will be no scarcity of poultry. One or more carloads arrived on Saturday, and are in cold storage, and there are more on the way, one load being due on Wednesday. Unless the weather becomes cold, however, storekeepers will not be inclined to make displays before the end of the week. Prices will, it is said, range several cents per pound more than was realized last year.

The recent census in Bengal reveals the fact that there are 4,000 baby girls in that province alone who have been married, and of this number 600, all less than a year old, are widows.

THE DRIARD TOURNEY.

Billiardists Displaying Deep Interest in Various Games.

The Driard handicap billiard tourney for the handsome cue presented by Proprietor C. A. Harrison is rapidly drawing to a close, and the interest of the local enthusiasts is increasing proportionately. On Saturday night the game between F. Deppe (s.) and A. Proctor (75) was won by the latter by fourteen points. To-night Mr. Proctor will meet H. Howson, who receives twenty-five points. This promises to be a close contest. B. J. Perry and Mr. Howson will also play a match game. Mr. Perry will give his opponent 200 points in a game of 500. The loser is to present the winner with a substantial Christmas present.

LEGAL NEWS.

Applications Made This Morning in Chambers Before Mr. Justice Irving.

In Chambers this morning applications were heard by Mr. Justice Irving as follows:

Ward Horsefly Mining Co. vs. Ward—An application was made for security of costs. Order was made in two sums of $300 each. Costs to be in cause. Alexis Martin for plaintiffs; Lindley Crease for defendant.

Cheney et al vs. Harrison—Application was made for affidavit of documents. The order was made, ten days being allowed for discovery. H. Helsterman for plaintiffs and H. D. Helmcken for defendant.

In the estate of Constance L. Davie, deceased, H. Helsterman made application for probate of will. The order was made.

Several other applications were allowed to stand over.

ANOTHER SAWMILL IS TO BE ERECTED

Moore & Whittington Have Applied For Waterfront Rights—Bright Outlook in Building Circles.

It is quite likely that before long Victoria will have another sawmill. Messrs. Moore & Whittington, the well known contractors, have made application to the Dominion government for waterfront privileges at the end of Pleasant street, and should it be granted they will erect a mill having a capacity of twenty thousand feet a day. Waterfront property has been purchased, and the firm are in a position to start work immediately the necessary rights are secured. In an interview with a Times representative the other day a member of the firm remarked that as far as they were concerned the past year had been a very successful one.

The requirements of a rapidly growing trade had made it necessary to largely increase the establishment on Yates street, while a considerable amount of new machinery was installed. A large number of residences were erected by them, and the prospects for next year, not only as regards themselves, but in the building line generally, he described as excellent.

Some time ago the Times published a list of the building carried on during the year as gleaned from the building inspector's report. It showed a total that exceeded last year's aggregate quite materially. The outlook for next year is even brighter, the work on the new hotel and several unusually fine structures that are now in contemplation giving building activity an impetus which will necessarily be fraught with a great deal of benefit to the place.

NEW COTTON COMPANY

Will Take Over a Number of the Largest Canadian Mills.

(Associated Press.)

Montreal, Dec. 19.—A new cotton company, with a capital of $10,000,000, has been formed here. The new company will take over the mills of the largest Canadian companies—the Merchants', the Montmorency and the Colonial Bleaching Company—and the object of the amalgamation is given as the reduction of the cost of production and the stopping of price cutting. Senator Forget will be the first president, with A. B. Mole, of the Dominion, and W. T. Whitehead, of the Montmorency companies, as joint managers. The amalgamation leaves only two independent mills, the Montreal and the Canadian Colored Cotton.

ANOTHER CONCESSION.

(Associated Press.)

Bjorreborg, Finland, Dec. 19.—A decree was issued to-day introducing a Finnish assistant of language in the customs, postal and other services, beginning January 12th.

FIREMAN KILLED.

Boiler of Locomotive Exploded—One Man Is Dead—Engineer and Brakeman Injured.

(Associated Press.)

Montreal, Dec. 19.—Engine 891, a ten-wheel compound, hauling a Grand Trunk freight train of fifty-five cars, exploded one mile east of Vaudreuil at an early hour this morning. Fireman Cummings, of Brockville, was killed, and Engineer Sharp, also of Brockville, and Brakeman Benoit, of Montreal, were injured. Sharp is probably seriously injured. The train was running twenty miles an hour when the accident occurred. Not a car, or even the locomotive truck, left the tracks, but the shattered boiler flew in the air and landed in a ditch between the Grand Trunk westbound track and the main line of the C. P. R.

THE PATTERSON TRIAL.

Counsel for Defence Decides to Call Witnesses—Accused Will Give Evidence.

(Associated Press.)

New York, Dec. 19.—When the Patterson trial was resumed to-day, it was announced that evidence would be submitted by the defence. It was said that Miss Patterson herself probably would be one of the twenty witnesses called to the stand.

Accused Gives Evidence.

New York, Dec. 19.—Nan Patterson was called to the stand to testify in her own behalf at this afternoon's session of her trial for the murder of Caesar Young.

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BORN.

KIRK—On Sunday, Dec. 18th, at St. Charles street, Victoria, B. C., the wife of G. A. Kirk, of a daughter.

STODDART—At Nelson, on Dec. 14th, the wife of Dr. T. W. F. Stoddart, of a son.

MARRIED.

TERICEY-BANKS—At Rossland, on Dec. 13th, by Rev. Mr. Smith, Frank Tericey and Miss Banks.

DIED.

TIBBS—At Vancouver, on Dec. 15th, Thomas Tibbs, aged 19 years.

OLMSTEAD—At Vancouver, on Dec. 14th, Chesterfield Olmstead, aged 25 years.

SUCCUMBED TO WOUND.

C. Beaulieu, Stabbed by Young Italian in Street Car, Is Dead.

(Associated Press.)

Montreal, Dec. 19.—Cyprien Beaulieu, stabbed in a street car on Ontario street, last Wednesday morning, while on his way to work in the car shops, is dead. Joseph Scecento, a young Italian, held for stabbing, will now be charged with murder.

On Wednesday morning Beaulieu was proceeding to work and Scecento was on the seat beside him. When the car was near Gain street one of Beaulieu's friends boarded it, and to make room for him on the seat Beaulieu pushed Scecento. A fight followed in which the Italian received a heavy blow in the eye and Beaulieu was stabbed in the stomach and right arm.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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REVISED STATUTES OF CANADA, CHAPTER 92.

Notice is hereby given that one month after date application will be made to the Governor-General in Council for approval of the plan and site of a wharf and sawmill to be erected by William Moore and Ernest W. Whittington on and opposite Lots 7, 8, 9 and 10, in Block B, Work Estate, in the City of Victoria, British Columbia.

A plan of the site with description thereof has been deposited with the Department of Public Works at Ottawa, and a duplicate of each has been deposited in the Land Registry Office, Victoria, B. C.

Dated this 28th day of November, 1904, at Victoria, British Columbia.

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